We're All In This

84

TOGETHER

MICHAEL GIACOLETTI

Brother Jocko,

Here to a really kick ass partier. I have really enjoyed parting with you. Well take care of yourself cuz your really special and I don't want anything to happening you or the W.B.A.F.S. Well be carefully. May God Bless you always.

Later,
Love Always.
Sandra
King

WZAR

Jocko,

Here's to a real cool & crazy guy. I hope you continue to have fun in life. Don't party to much without me. May God Bless you & take care.

~WZAR~

Keep in touch
Always
Kingsley

~WZAR~
Always
Kristie
Maddern

A55 PARTIERS!! TAKE CARE!
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Jocko-
Hey old first like to say good
that you've become a good
to friend then you and the
getting a little closer
through the Andy
I've never met
you I hate the
year. So Take Care and
Have a good
Summer!!!
W.B.A.F.S
Always
Paul

Gosh Jocko!
You're one of the sickest party-er's I know! It seems like I've known you forever, so you're like a brother to me, in case you didn't know. Take Care of yourself, but do PARTY HARD4!!
Love Always,
Penny

Yo Jocko.
A really nice and cool that I would've got to know it it wasn't for (Jermit) who can always God bless you) keep rocking and rolling know you're a friend
Yummy

Jocko,
We proud to know you
We don't need no
We shared a room
We a room
We a room
We

Well Jocko,
we've finally finished
school. I hope we keep in
touch so we can party when I'm
on leave. Take care and mellow things down.
awhile. We've had some good time since 5th grade,
and I hope we still have more adventures together
after high school and into the Twilight ZONE.
STAY cool and watch out for agents of the narcotic
nature. The POLICE

friend
Always

Chris Dingman

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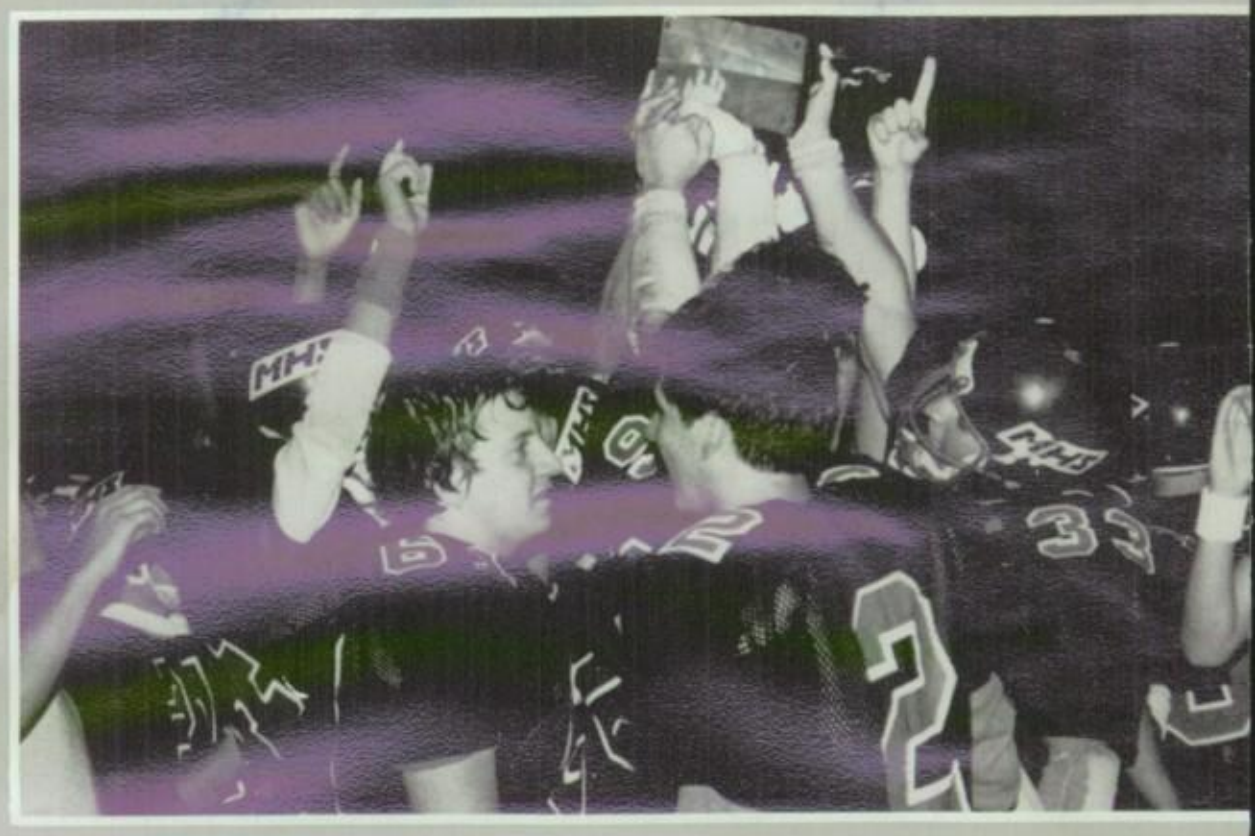

An elated group of Wildcats celebrate after capturing the B-East conference title with a 24-10 victory over the Willcox Cowboys.

On the first day of classes, Channel 3 Eyewitness News' reporters interview Chad Bates concerning his views on how the strike will affect the school year.

Students react to proceedings at a pep assembly with mixed emotions.

We're all in this *Together*

in Activities 14

Student Life — the focus was on the fun, as well as work, for Homecoming, the Halloween Carnival, Junior Olympics, prom and graduation.

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Organizations — where we worked together. Whether planning a bake sale, a booth at the carnival, or making a yearbook, we relied on others.

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for Learning 70

Academics — we prepared for the future through hard work and dedication. Self-discipline helped students achieve success as they worked toward their goals.

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Students, teachers, and administrators — working together for a memorable record of achievement.

for our Community 106

Sponsors — helping each other and the school through some difficult times.

It was with apprehension that we approached the 1983-84 school year. A summer of tension and violence due to the strike against Phelps Dodge had left us not only with mixed feelings and emotions, but on different sides. No one remained untouched by the events of the summer.

We began the year with many questions. What would it be like at school with the children of both strikers and workers attending together? Would the problems of the summer carry over into the school as well? Would anything ever be the same again?

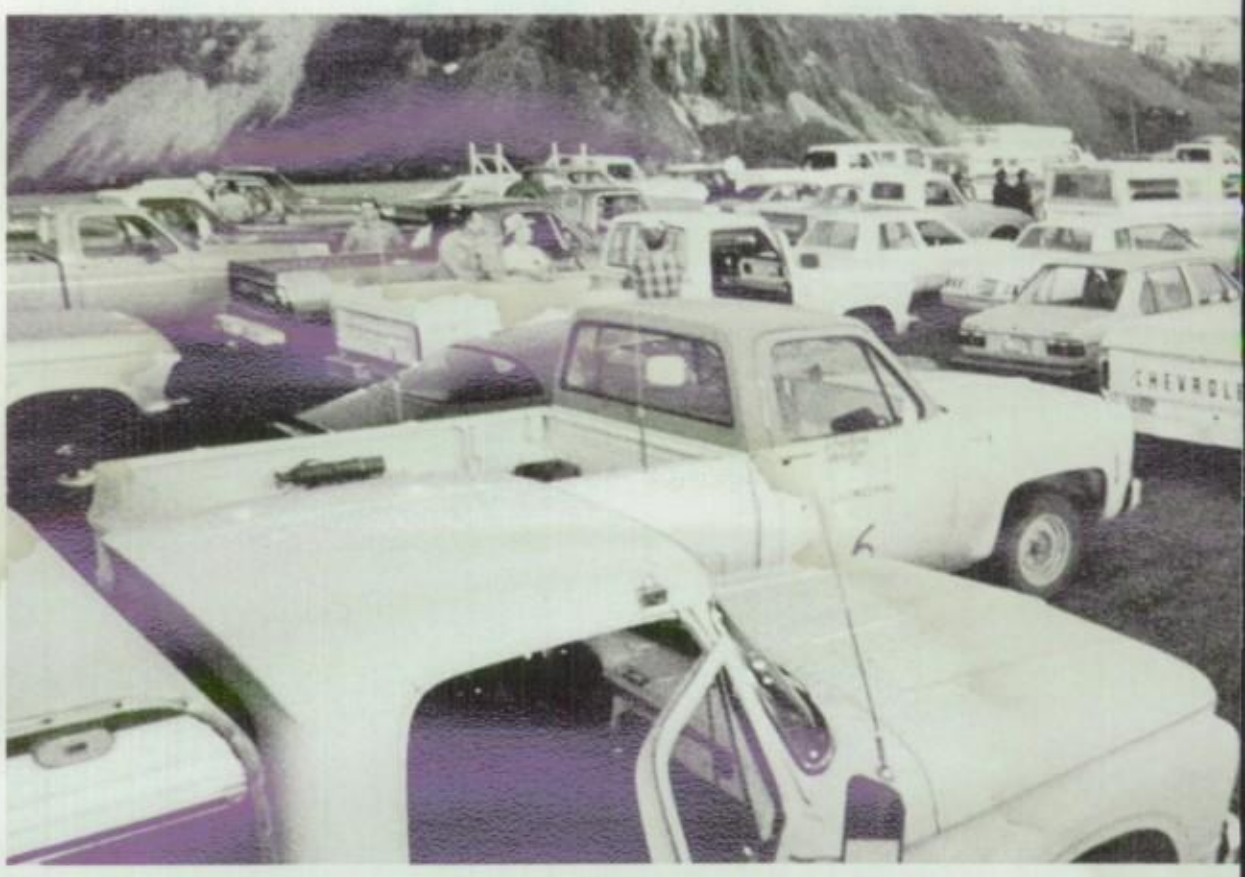
We were reminded of the possible difficulties when the press arrived to interview students the first day of school. Then, instead of the usual opening assembly, the four classes were segregated for orientation.

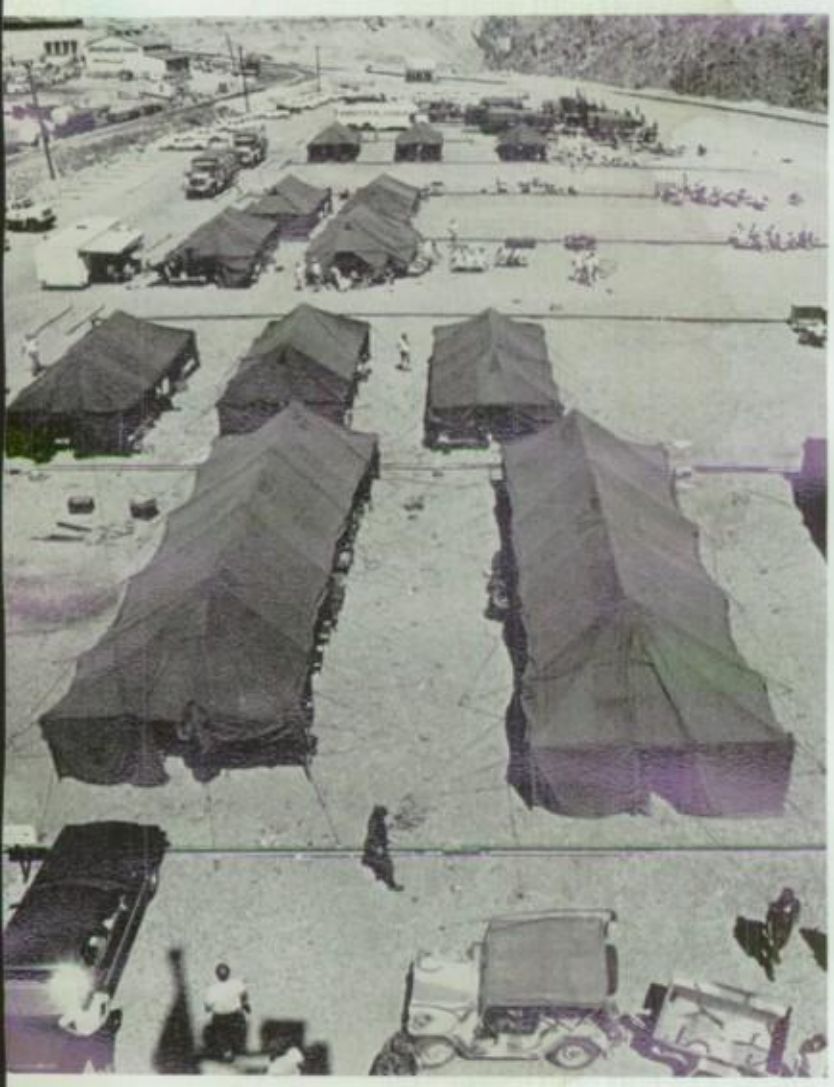
Many students were upset at the loss of friends who had moved away during the summer. Others faced a lonely year having chosen to remain in Morenci even though family members had moved elsewhere.

A year of uncertainty lay ahead. We only knew one thing for sure—whatever the outcome, we would face the year together.

Cars gather in the parking lot of the general office preparing for the daily convoy past the strikers into the mine.

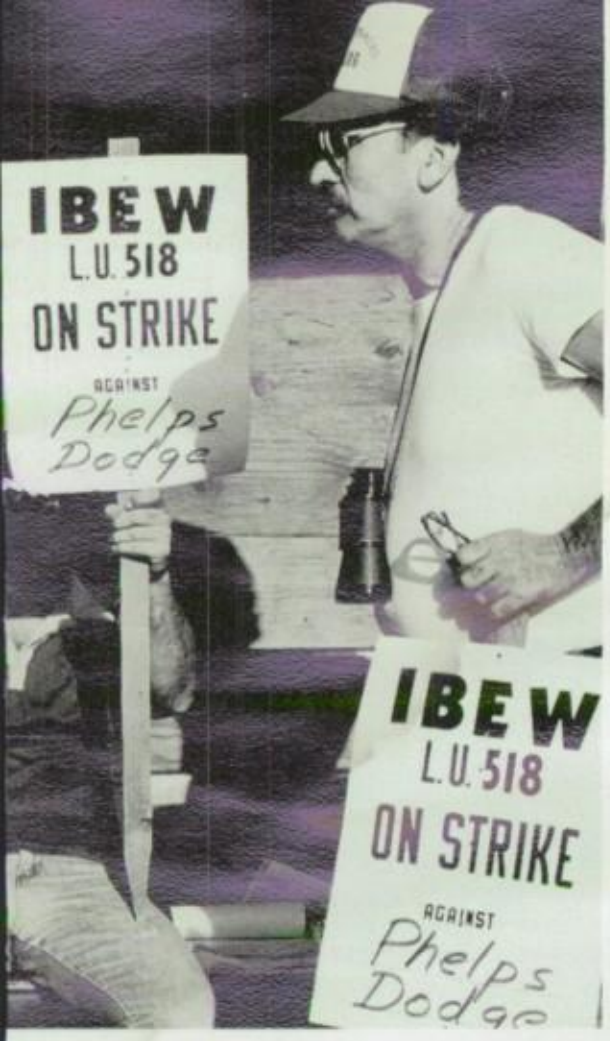
Members of the Arizona National Guard set up tents in the plant on Thursday, August 18.



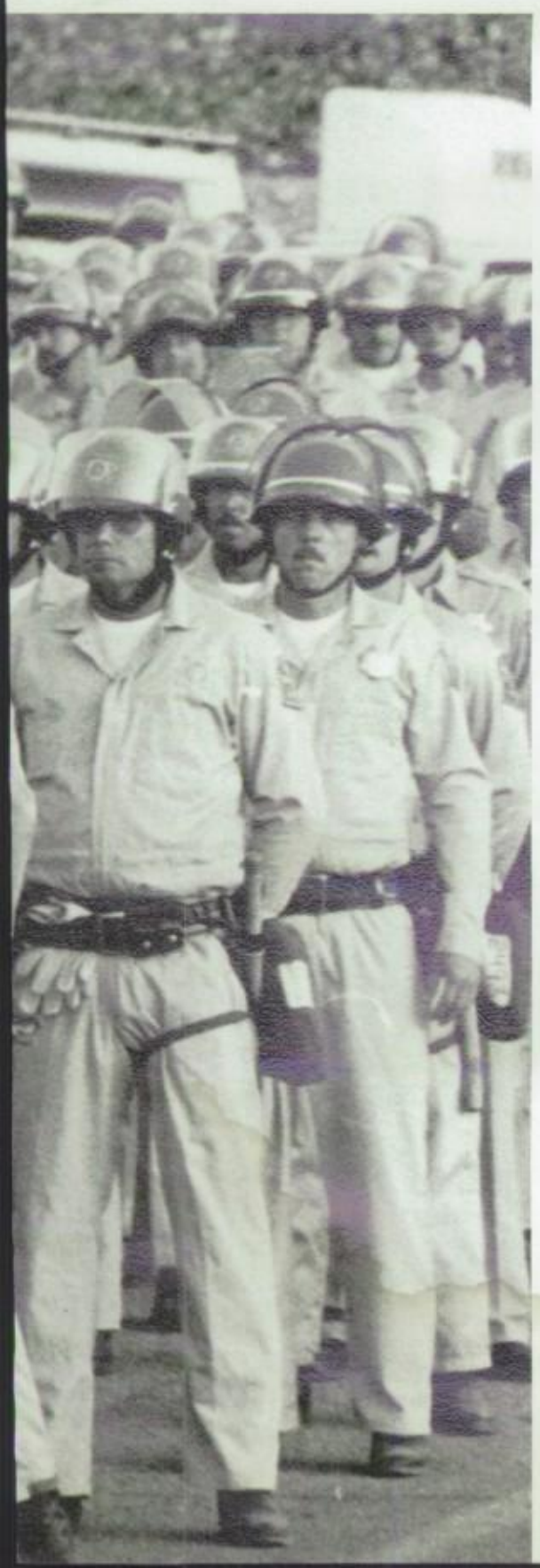


Located on the #10 dump, a small city emerges following the arrival of the National Guard and DPS in Morenci.

Over two hundred DPS officers were on duty at the plant gate when the mine re-opened on August 19.



Two striking copper miners stand picket duty at the main entrance to the mine.



STRIKE

Labor dispute breeds strife, tension and turmoil

Will Morenci ever be the same?

This was the question many people were asking prior to the opening of the school year. Events that had occurred during the two-month old strike had made for a very uncertain future.

The strike began on July 1 when negotiations between Phelps Dodge and the unions stalled due to disagreement on the cost-of-living clause. Phelps Dodge officials felt that falling copper prices made it necessary to cut COLA, whereas the unions wanted a contract similar to that negotiated by Kennecott.

In the past, strikes had been uneventful as PD shut down their operations while negotiations went on. This time, however, Phelps Dodge continued operating using salaried personnel working two twelve-hour shifts.

As the weeks passed and the number of day's pay employees choosing to cross the picket line increased, so did tension in the town. Strikers gathered in increasing numbers along the road to the plant, shouting at those employees who continued to work during the strike.

Tempers reached a boiling point in August with the company's announcement that it would begin hiring outside workers to fill jobs left vacant by the strikers. For three nights Morenci was on the verge of a disaster as carloads of strikers and their families rallied throughout town venting their anger on all nonstrikers. Then, on Monday morning, August 8, striking miners caused the closure of the employment office. An estimated 1, 000 men, women, and children gathered along U.S. 666 preventing the evening shift change. Governor Bruce Babbitt flew to the area late that evening to meet with company officials and union representatives. At the request of the Governor, and faced with the possibility of forced closure by violence, PD officials agreed Tuesday morning, August 9, to a ten-day shutdown and cooling-off period.

In the early morning hours of Thursday, August 18, local residents were awakened by the sound of helicopters flying over the townsite as a convoy of National Guard units rolled into town. Joined by hundreds of DPS officers, the troops prepared for possible violence when the mine reopened the following day, August 19.

Although the presence of the National Guard and DPS officers prevented further mass demonstrations and the mine reopened without incidence, the resentment by strikers of those who crossed the picket line persisted. The strike was far from over when school opened on August 29 and parents, teachers, and administrators alike wondered what effect the events of the summer would have on the school year.

Before boarding the rescue helicopter, a man is helped onto the roof from the second story balcony of the Rode Inn Motel.

A partially demolished Sears building stands among the wreckage in the aftermath of the storm.

The Flood of '83

Five days of rain causes devastating damage

This was the flood Clifton-Morenci residents will always remember . . . the flood that destroyed the old bridge in North Clifton along with numerous homes and businesses throughout the town . . . the flood that sealed off Morenci from the rest of the world for two days . . . the flood that canceled the annual game between the Trojans and the Wildcats and ultimately caused Clifton to forfeit the remainder of its football schedule . . . the flood that prevented the Wildcat volleyball teams from returning home after a match in Willcox.

This was the flood we'll talk about for years to come and which will be used as a standard of comparison for future floods.

Although we knew there was the possibility the raging San Francisco River might overflow its banks as it had done several times in the past, no one expected the massive flooding that actually occurred during the weekend of October 1 and 2.

We first became aware of the danger when students living in Clifton and York Valley were summoned from classes Friday afternoon, September 30. "I was told the river might go over the bridge at approximately 3:00," remembered Lorraine Moya, "and Mrs. Windsor suggested I go home immediately."

Because of the flood danger and an extremely wet football field at Clifton High School, the annual copper ingot game between the two arch-rivals was rescheduled Friday afternoon to be played at Morenci the next night. By Saturday evening, however, the football game was the last thing on anyone's mind as Clifton was buried under eight feet of water and tons of mud and sand. The San Francisco River had jumped its banks Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Washouts on most roads in Southern Arizona made travel between towns virtually impossible for several days and many Morenci residents found themselves unable to get home. Many teachers, including Mr. Roy Faulkner, found themselves on the wrong side of the river. Determined to get back to Morenci, Mr. Faulkner hiked to the old "black bridge" by the picnic area and walked across it. Some people on the other side then gave him a ride to town. Reminiscing, Mr. Faulkner said: "It was quite an experience! The bridge is an old railroad trestle without any sides. I inched my way across the steel beams with my arms held tightly to my sides. Below me, the water was roaring under the bridge taking trees and other debris with it. It was about the scariest predicament I've ever been in."

Morenci's volleyball teams, returning from a match in Willcox, were unable to get home. Volunteering to house the girls until the bridge re-opened, athletic director Tom Powers and his wife had 44 houseguests for two days at their York Valley home. "It was like a big slumber party," stated Mr. Powers. "The kids made beds out of anything they could find."

School in Morenci was canceled for two days as local students and teachers assisted with the cleanup. Clifton schools remained closed for two weeks until power, water, and

sewage was restored to the community.

Although many people felt the emergency would ease tensions in the strike-torn communities as people worked together to help the flood victims, such was not the case. Tempers flared when the first caravan of cars filled with PD workers passed over the bridge. Once more, additional DPS officers were called in to maintain peace in addition to providing assistance with the flood cleanup. The sound of helicopters flying overhead was also heard again as people were evacuated from the flood area and supplies and food were transported from Morenci to Clifton.

The house rented by French teacher John Washington and his family received eight feet of water. When the family returned to their home after the water had receded, "... we had to break a window to get in," explained Mr. Washington. "The doors were swollen shut. We lost everything but our dishes and our clothes which we managed to salvage after repeated washings."

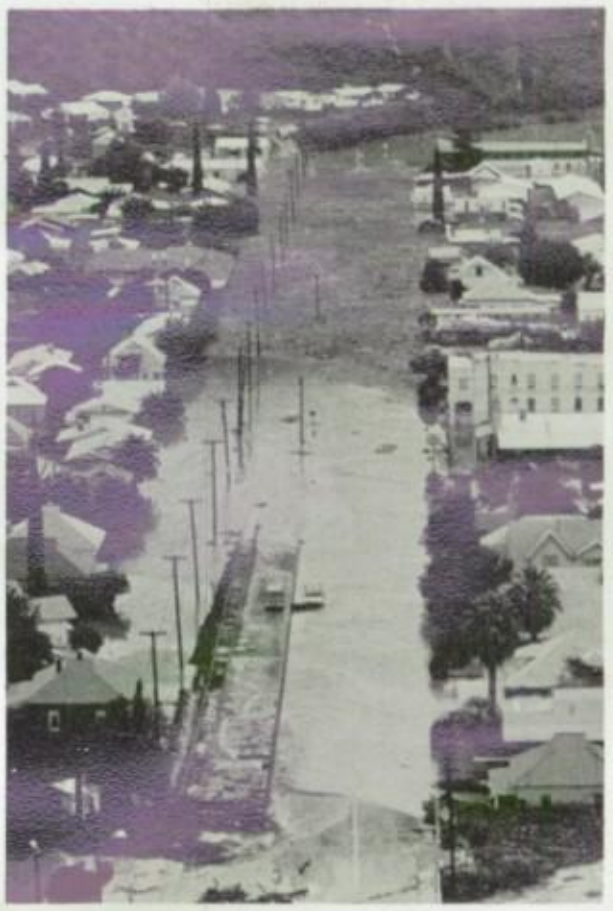
Student Cory Licano's family not only had their home and personal possessions damaged, but they lost three vehicles as well. One car was carried two blocks from their home by the flood waters. "We live by the Clifton football field," explained Cory. "Our car ended up buried in the mud on Coronado Boulevard."

Altogether, eight Arizona counties were declared federal disaster areas by President Reagan. Hardest hit, in addition to Clifton, were the towns of Marana, Tucson, Nogales, and Willcox. Damages throughout the state were estimated in the tens of millions of dollars. Although fifteen flood-related deaths occurred in the state, there were no deaths or serious injuries in the Clifton area.

As the long, tedious cleanup process continued throughout the month of October and into the new year, the city of Clifton took on a different look as several businesses and homes were bulldozed to the ground. The five days of rain in 1983 would not soon be forgotten.

Roaring under the Frisco bridge, the raging San Francisco River floods the Park Avenue area in Clifton. Ripped apart by the water, little remained of Riley's Drug once the waters receded.

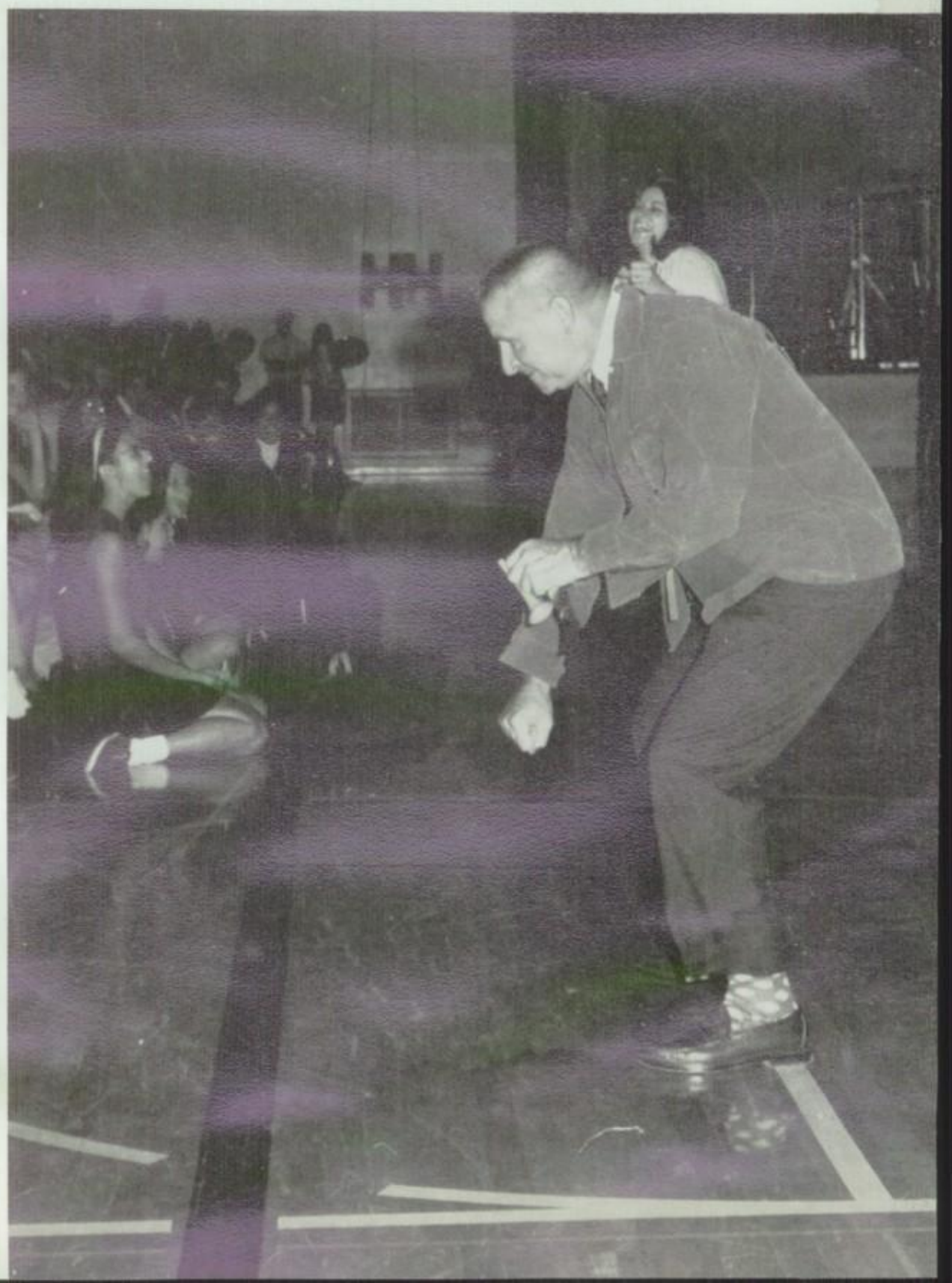
Just south of the railroad bridge, Coronado Boulevard is completely submerged under eight feet of water.



Distinguishing different variations of words, Mr. Schultz makes notes on the board at the old high school.

A history teacher for the first six years she was in Morenci, Mrs. Troxell points out a city on the map.

Toy trumpet in hand, Mr. Galusky leads a cheer at a pep assembly in 1970.



A Sampling Of "Galusky-isms"

One bandersnatch
(unit of measure)

Sky blue pink
(favorite color)

The wife
(favorite spouse)

Right on the mazoo
(exactly right)

Who's hammering at the bastille?
(Someone is knocking at the door)

We're ready for Freddie
(We're ready to start)

Now comes Miller time
(We're ready to finish)

I'll drink to that
(I agree)

Snowshoe on up there
(Go to the board)

Put your grubs on that
(Point to that)

Other favorites include:

Feast your beady little eyes on the chart
East Jababa, where the Eubangies got me
You gourdhead, you meatball
How do you like them apples?
Old Hawkeye sees everything
That's my boy
I'll fix their wagon
I remember my uncle, Thorndike Macfeester

The End Of An Era

Retiring teachers Joseph Galusky, Roberta Troxell, and Vernon Schultz as pictured during their first decade of teaching at Morenci High School.

MHS says farewell to three retiring faculty members

The end of the '83-84 school year marked the loss of a combined 91 years of local teaching experience for three faculty members.

Due to illness, Vernon Schultz, a teacher in the district for 29 years, retired shortly after school started, and both Roberta Troxell and Joseph Galusky concluded 31-year careers in Morenci at the end of the year.

Mr. Schultz came to Morenci from Casa Grande in 1954. Throughout the years, he taught all four levels of English in the high school, in addition to sponsoring activities such as dramatics, debating society, and TRA-GYC Club.

Considered an excellent teacher and a kind man, Mr. Schultz is remembered warmly by his students. As senior Patrick Scheier remarked, "It was a pleasure to have him as a teacher, and because of him, I'm a much better English student today."

Mr. Schultz has always enjoyed traveling and has been involved in corresponding by tape with people in many foreign countries.

Mrs. Roberta Troxell began her career in Morenci as an eighth grade history teacher. She became the high school librarian in 1959. Her care and dedication to the job have been responsible for the excellent library students enjoy today. "She knows every inch of the library," commented sophomore Murl Easley when asked about Mrs. Troxell. Student librarian Stephanie Harper agreed adding, "I don't think people really appreciate all that she does."

Born and raised in West Virginia, Joseph Galusky began teaching in Morenci in 1953. His sense of humor and knowledge of science have made his classes both educational and entertaining. As senior Ernesto Llamas remarked: "I had Mr. Galusky all four years, and I always looked forward to going to his classes. He made his courses interesting with his remarks and was always willing to give help when you asked for it."

Mr. Galusky's teaching ability earned him the "Science Teacher of the Year" award in 1974.

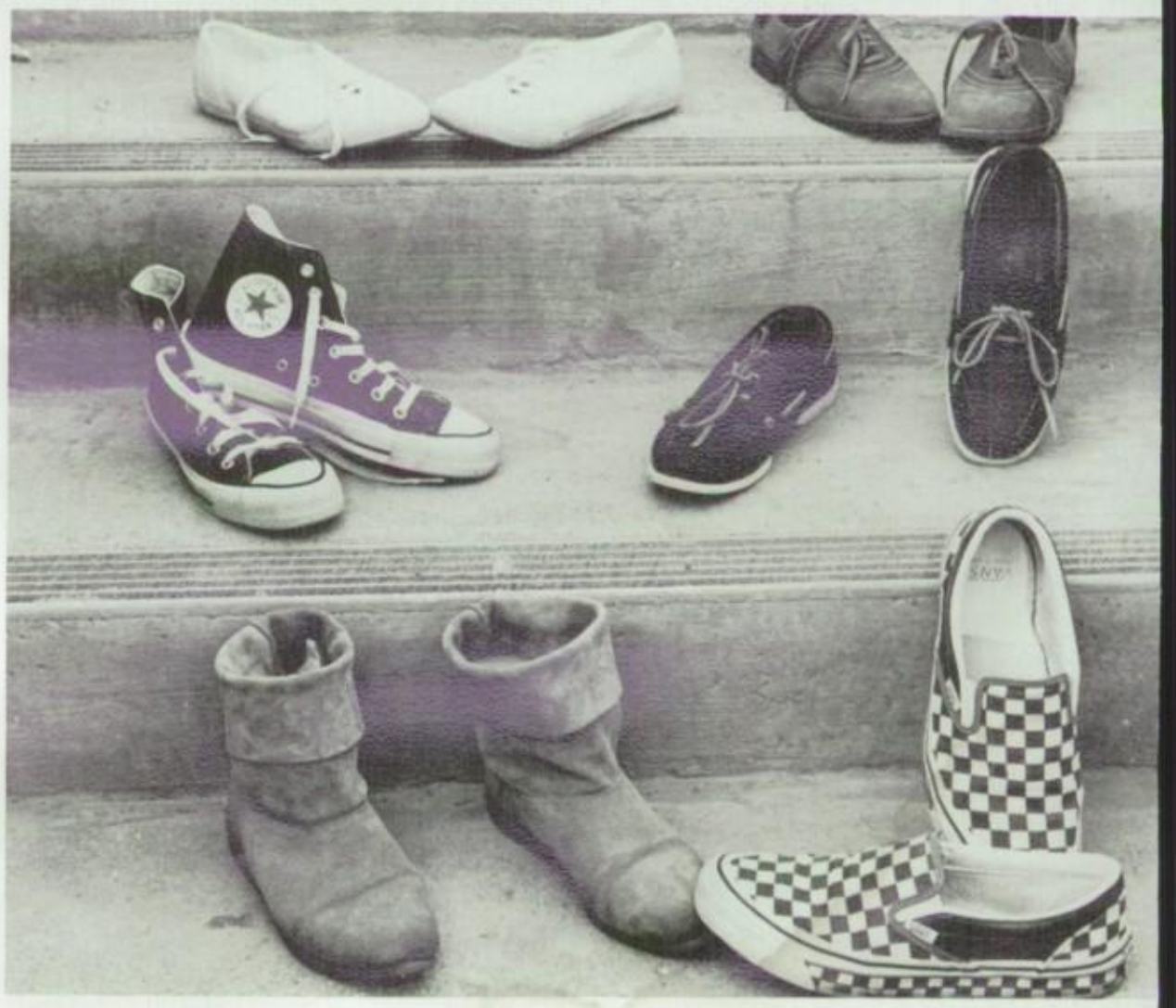
The departure of these three veteran staff members will leave a void that will be difficult to fill. They will be sorely missed.

Fans of the casual look, Darlene Lizarraga, Callie Maldonado, and Ernesto Llamas, prefer to wear sleeveless T-shirts with their jeans.

Surfer shirts, worn by Tom Vaughn and Susie Valdez, come in a large variety of styles and colors.

FAVORITES

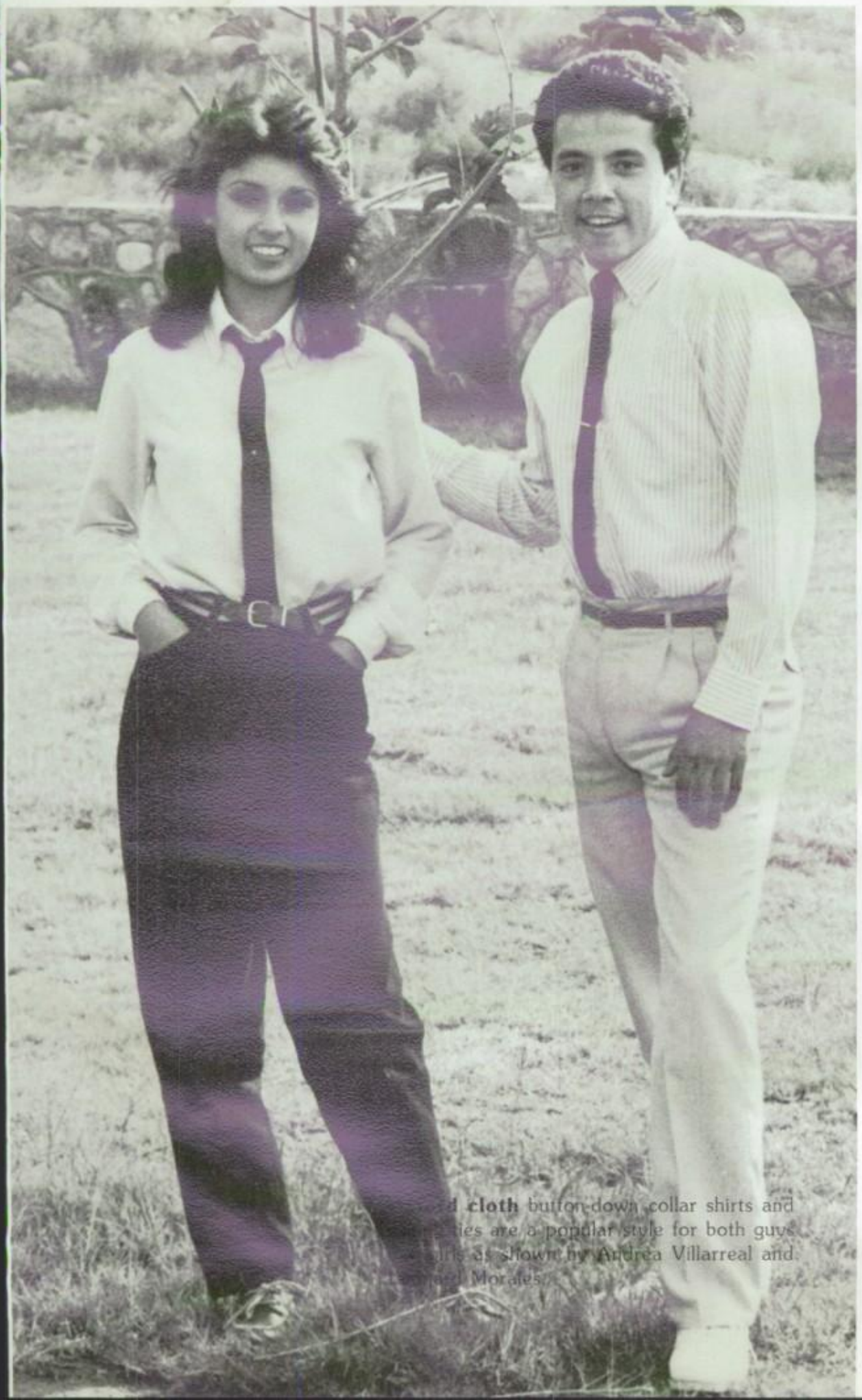
KIND OF MUSIC: Rock
T.V. PROGRAM: Night Tracks, Webster
T.V. VIDEO: Party Train, Cum On Feel the Noize
T.V. COMMERCIAL: Bud Light, Shasta
SINGER: Rick Springfield, Steve Perry
ACTOR: Sylvestor Stallone, Eddie Murphy
ACTRESS: Christie Brinkley, Nancy McKeon
EXPRESSION: Just about the ____ est, Hey Bud



Replacing the multi-colored flats so popular last year are flat boots, Vans, Converse tennis shoes, boat shoes, white pointed tennies, and Oxfords.

INS & OUTS

Fashions and interests change with the times



cloth button-down collar shirts and
ties are a popular style for both guys
irls as shown by Andrea Villarreal and
Morales.

What a difference a year makes!

Last year's extremely popular ruffled blouses and full skirts were no longer seen around campus as the tailored look came into style. Oxford cloth shirts and skinny ties were worn by both boys and girls. "It's neat to have the guys coming to school dressed up for a change," commented Lisa Franco.

Polo shirts were a carry-over from last year and seemed more popular than ever. More students were observed wearing their collar turned up this year, however, and the shirts also came in a long-sleeved style.

Sleeveless T-shirts were definitely "in." Although they could be purchased for approximately $12, many students saved money by cutting off the sleeves of shirts they already owned.

The movie *Flashdance* greatly influenced clothing styles with its off-the-shoulder sweatshirt look. "I like its stylishly casual look," admitted senior Mary Cork.

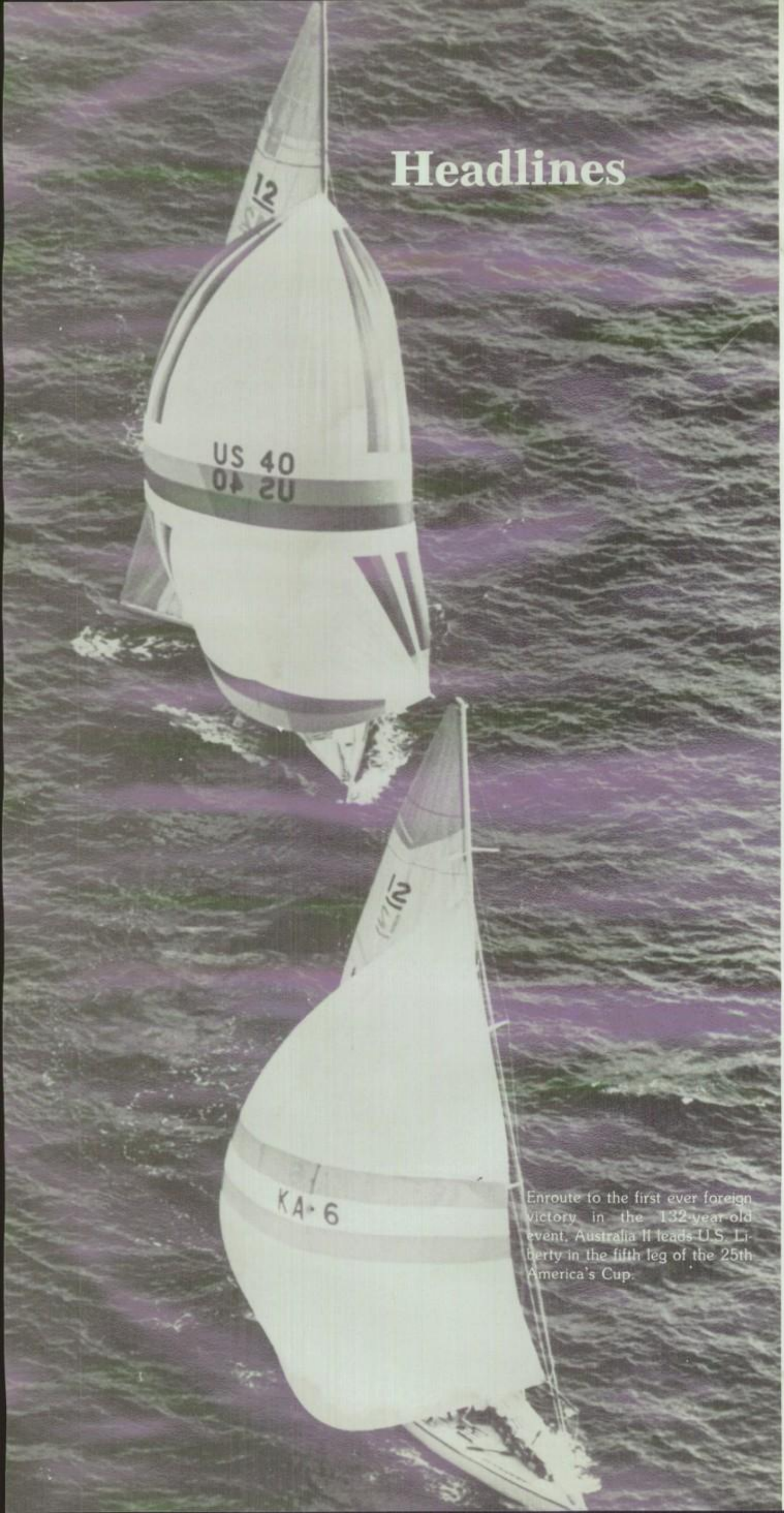
As soon as the weather got cooler, Argyle sweater vests were worn by many of the girls. "I bought one because I saw them displayed in all the stores in Tucson so I figured they would be in style this year," admitted Leigh Ann Owen.

Although long hair was still the vogue, it was worn short over the ears. "It shows off your earrings," explained Liz Abril. Big, colorful earrings were worn with matching beads and bracelets.

Playing video games was no longer the craze as students preferred watching long hours of T.V. videos. "Night Tracks" on Friday and Saturday nights was most popular with students. "Cruising" and car rallies were out due to the local strike and the county-wide curfew imposed after the flood.

"To be rich and successful" was the goal listed as most desired by the majority of students, and "Mom and Dad" were named as the person or persons most admired.

Headlines



Enroute to the first ever foreign victory in the 132-year-old event, Australia II leads U.S. Liberty in the fifth leg of the 25th America's Cup.

Americans At War

Even though Clifton and Morenci were often in the news, there were many other national and international incidents which caught our attention. It was a year in which war and terror played a key role in world politics, a year that saw many people fearing the outbreak of World War III.

First there was the Korean Air Line incident in September. The U.S.S.R. shot down a Korean commercial airplane that had strayed into Soviet airspace, killing 269 people.

The U.S. became entangled in the Middle East when a multi-national peace keeping force was sent into Lebanon. Other nations which participated in the force were France, Great Britain, and Italy.

Shortly before 6:20 a.m. on October 23, 1983, a terrorist-driven Mercedes truck loaded with 2,000 tons of TNT crashed into the ground floor of the four-story Marine headquarters building in Beruit. The Kamikaze-like mission resulted in the death of 241 U.S. Marines. A similar attack was carried out on the French headquarters at the same time.

Two days after the Beruit bombing, American soldiers invaded the Caribbean island of Granada to help the local government establish order against the Cuban rebels and to evacuate many American medical students.

Poland's Solidarity leader, Lech Walesa, was back in the news in October when it was announced that he won the Nobel Peace Prize.

Australia II became the first successful challenger in the 132-year history of the America's cup when it defeated the American entry, Liberty, in the final race.

Vanessa Williams from New York became the first black woman to be crowned Miss America.

Remembering President Kennedy twenty years later, the country recognized the anniversary of his assassination with numerous articles and TV specials about his life.

Rescuers prepare to lower onto a stretcher a U.S. Marine who had been trapped in the wreckage of the U.S. Command Post in Beruit, Lebanon. Terrorists used a dynamite laden vehicle to blow up the building.

The first black Miss America, Vanessa Williams, is crowned by the outgoing Miss America, Debra Moffett.

After much controversy, James Watt, Secretary of the Interior from 1981 to 1983, resigned following his latest verbal blunder. Joking about a government study commission, he referred to the members as "a black, a woman, two Jews, and a cripple."

ABC's made-for-TV movie, "The Day After," was also a subject of much controversy both before and after its public airing on November 20. The movie portrayed the effects of a nuclear holocaust in Kansas City, Missouri.

A strike by Greyhound bus employees in November garnered national attention. Following the 47 day strike, the union agreed to a 7.8 percent cut in wages and a reduction in benefits.

Sub-zero temperatures in December throughout the Great Plains, the South, and the Midwest, caused crop losses estimated at approximately $500 million. The cold was also blamed for directly or indirectly causing the deaths of nearly 500 people.

The biggest divestiture in history took place on January 1, 1984 when AT&T split into many different factions.

A candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, Rev. Jessie Jackson traveled to Syria in January to successfully appeal for the release of captured American aviator, Navy Lt. Robert O. Goodman, Jr. The Lieutenant had been shot down over Lebanon on December 4.

The death of Soviet president Yuri Andropov was announced in February. He was replaced by 72-year old Konstantin Chernenko.

Shortly after his state of the Union address, President Reagan formally announced that he and Vice-President Bush were running for re-election.

With the impending collapse of the Lebanese government, President Reagan announced in February that the U.S. Marines would be withdrawn and stationed on ships offshore for as long as necessary.

On the sports scene, Baltimore captured the World Series by beating the Philadelphia Phillies four games to one.

In football, the Miami Hurricanes beat the previously undefeated Nebraska Cornhuskers, 31-30, in the Orange Bowl on January 2; and the LA Raiders won the Super Bowl by trouncing the Washington Redskins, 38-9. Georgetown beat Houston to win the NCAA basketball title.

The opening ceremonies for the 14th Winter Olympic Games were held on February 8 in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia. U.S. athletes winning gold medals were Debbie Armstrong, women's Alpine giant slalom; Bill Johnson, men's downhill ski race; Scott Hamilton, men's figure skating; and Phil Mahre, men's slalom.

The biggest disappointment of the Games was the seventh place finish of the U.S. hockey team. They had their worst record in the 64 years of the competition.

Five thousand Korean Christians gather in Seoul for an anti-Soviet rally to protest the shooting down of a Korean Air Lines jetliner in which 269 people were killed.

Attired in costumes on Halloween, Aurelia Miranda, Erika Baca, Mary Ann Lopez, and Fred Sanders make their way through the hall between classes.

Together in . . . ACTIVITIES

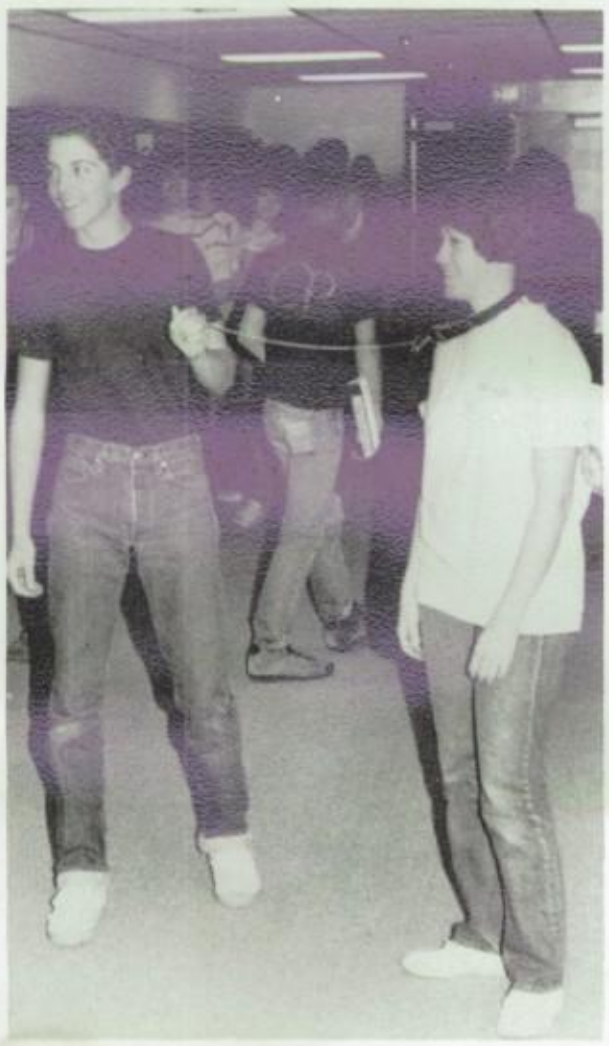
We didn't always succeed in having successful activities. Homecoming, minus the traditional bonfire and car rally, was kind of a letdown. As a matter of fact, we missed having all those rallies that were prohibited because of the strike.

Pep assemblies were, for the most part, lacking in pep. Much of the enthusiasm that had been a trademark of Morenci in the past seemed to have been lost in the turmoil of the year.

It was increasingly hard to get people involved in school activities. An attempt to hold a week-long "Air Band" contest faltered when only two groups signed up.

Still, some activities exceeded our expectations. The Halloween Carnival drew hundreds of people, and the annual school play attracted one of the largest audiences ever.

Despite the disappointments, many students continued to try to make it a successful year. With this extra effort, achievements were made which otherwise may not have been possible.



Homecoming King, Andy Chaff, receives a congratulatory kiss from Michelle Maldonado, the '82 Queen.

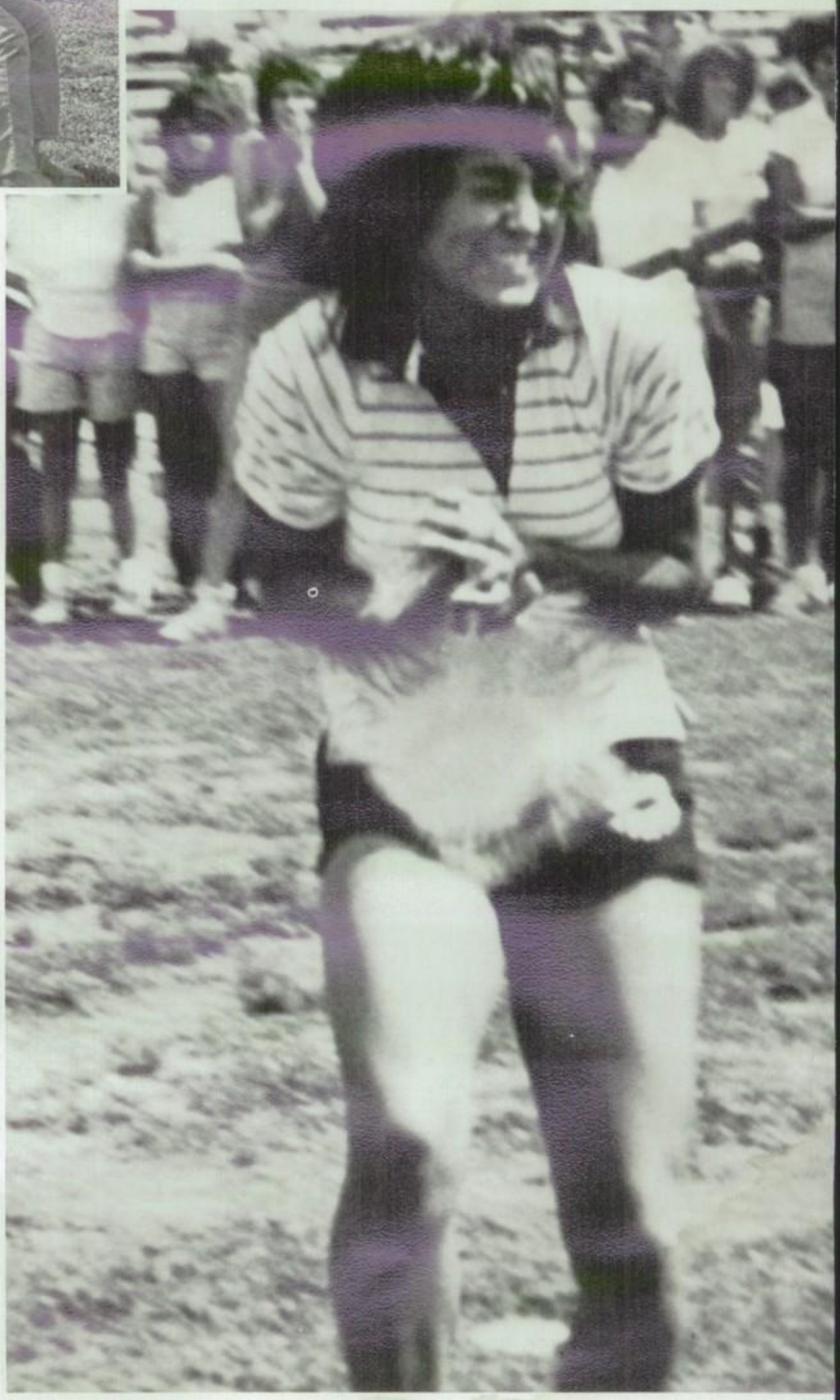
"All the world loves a clown" is Missy Lopez's motto during Spirit Week.

Keeping his slave, Becky Tellez, on a tight leash is Chris Herrera.

SENIORS WRAP UP CHAMPIONSHIP WITH TOILET PAPER

Junior Olympics

Small but powerful, sophomores Marc Ruedas, Everett Gordon, and Duane Sanders defeat the more muscular seniors in the tug-of-war.



After failing to make the catch in the water balloon toss, Traci Flores gets a cool shower.

By winning the final event of the day, the toilet paper race, the class of '83 managed to win the Junior Olympics for the third consecutive year. The class of '85 led all the way until the last event when the seniors edged them out for the championship.

"We were leading when the bell rang at 3:12," sighed Martha Gonzales, "but the seniors said we had to do the last scheduled event." The toilet paper race proved to be the sophomores' downfall as they finally gave up when the other three classes finished ahead of them.

Although most students enjoyed having the Junior Olympics held outside for the first time, Aurelia Miranda was disappointed that the events were held on the football field rather than in the gym. "The freshmen didn't have to do the traditional peanut roll on the field," she complained.

Probably the biggest surprise of the day was the sophomore boys' win over the senior boys in the tug-of-war. "The underclassmen had never beaten the seniors before," bragged Marc Ruedas. "It was my superb strategy," added Damian Tellez, who designed the sophomore team. "The seniors went for lots of muscle, but I figured more legs meant more leverage."

Covered with whipped cream, Fred Campbell and Steve Gojkovich compete in the pie-eating contest.

Cuddling an orange, Kristi Merino prepares to pass it to Ricardo Valdez while teammate Bobby Zavala encourages them to hurry.

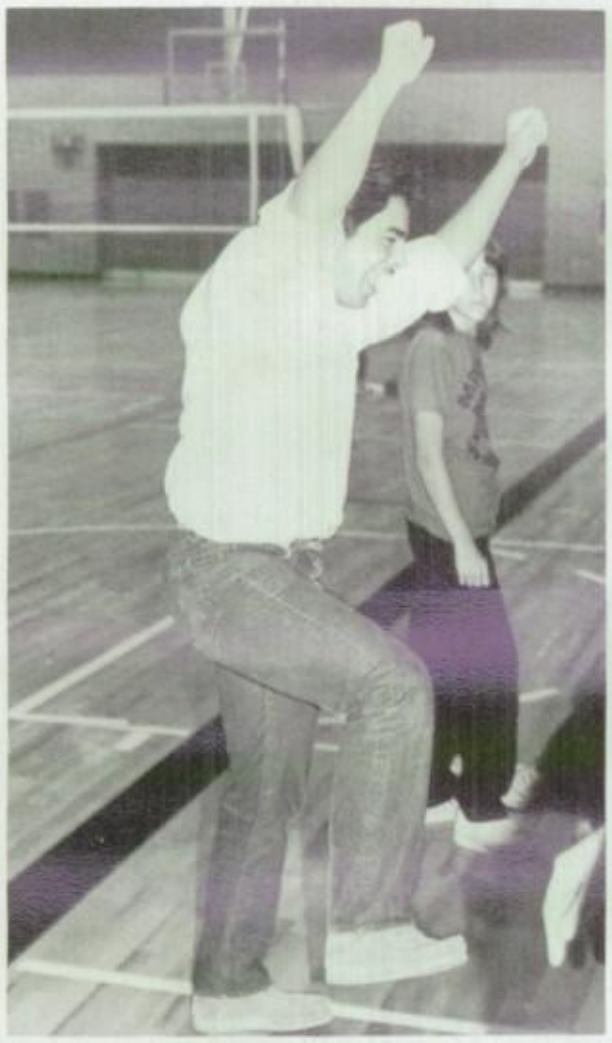
In hysterics, members of the sophomore class enjoy one of the events at the '83 Junior Olympics.

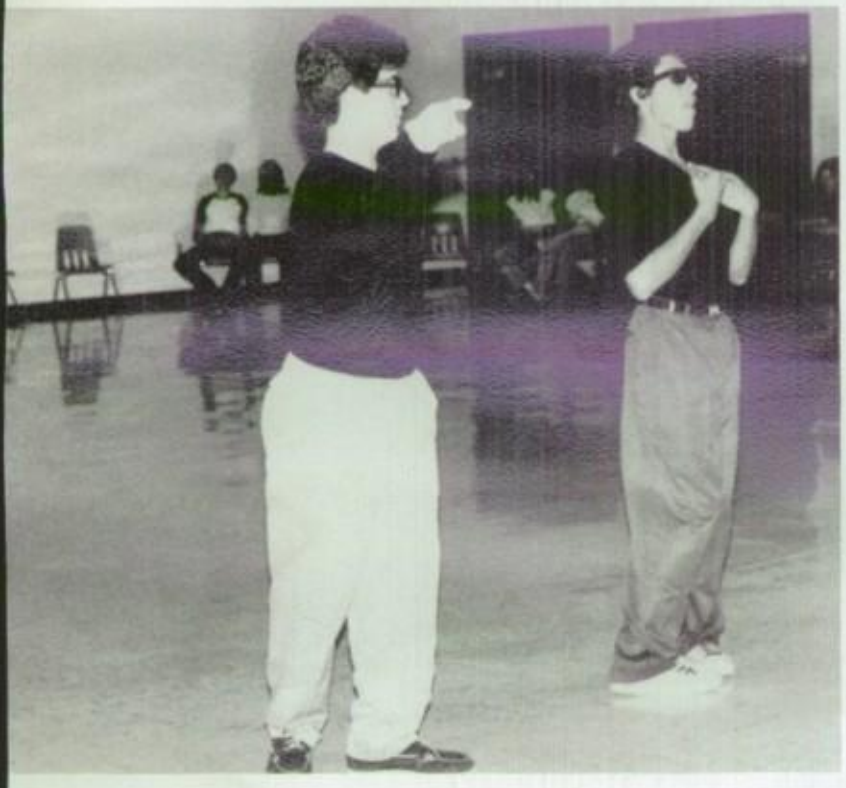
Victorious sophomores celebrate another first place finish in the scavenger hunt.

Look at my fat ass!

Celebrating the Cat's first touchdown in the 24-10 victory over Willcox are Cory Licano, #20, and Tomas Borjon, #2.

Leading the seniors in a cheer at the pep assembly is Vincent Chavez.





Entertainment at the Homecoming Dance is provided by Robert Carrasco and Jerry Luna who demonstrate how to "pop".

Homecoming attendants include: Aurelia Miranda, Erika Baca, Lisa Franco, Queen Liz Peralta, Michelle Batiste, Renade Kline, Julie Carr, and Evelyn Flores.

MORE THAN JUST ANOTHER FOOTBALL GAME

Homecoming

You had to be quick to catch all that happened at Homecoming 1983.

It was the busiest evening of the year for Wildcat fans as Homecoming activities were held along with the traditional end-of-the-season festivities. Parents of the football players and cheerleaders were recognized, senior band members were acknowledged, and the Row Award for excellence in interscholastic programs was presented to the school by Mr. Max Peck, former A.I.A. executive committee member. Topping the evening was an exciting 24-10 victory over the Willcox Cowboys, giving the Cats the B-East conference championship and a first place seed in the state tournament.

Originally scheduled for October 7, Homecoming was postponed until October 21 when the county-wide curfew imposed after the flood made it impossible to hold the Homecoming dance. Many students, including senior Michelle Batiste, felt the change in dates was good. "Since Willcox was such an important game, it made everything more exciting," she explained.

Plans were cancelled to borrow cars for the Homecoming royalty when Howell's Copper State was flooded. The traditional bonfire could not be held because the local fire department was unavailable.

Although the curfew was still in effect, the school system received permission to sponsor a dance after the game. Reaction to the event was mostly negative, however. "They played too much soul music," complained Elisa Borjon. "It was more like a talent show than a dance."

Reigning over the Homecoming festivities are seniors Andy Chaff, King, and Liz Peralta, Queen.

A happy Tonya Williams receives a corsage from her son David during the pregame festivities. The proud father is Jerry Williams.

Trying to eat their way to victory in the licorice chew are freshmen Becky Tellez and Victor Urquidi.

Trying not to get wet, Ernesto Llamas, disguised as an old man, works in the "Squirt the Candle" booth sponsored by the yearbook staff.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL REPLACES TRICK OR TREATING

Although not originally planned as a substitute for trick or treating, the school's first Halloween Carnival turned out to be just that. Because of the tense situation between strikers and non-strikers, trick or treating was discouraged by both sides. The carnival, held in the multi-purpose room of the high school, proved to be an enjoyable alternative.

Sponsored by Student Council, the first of what may become an annual event attracted hundreds of people. "We sold between 6,000 and 7,000 tickets at 15 cents each," claimed Lorraine Moya, program coordinator for Student Council. Participating organizations and classes sponsored booths which included a fish pond, coin toss, and fortune teller.

A "must" for everyone at the carnival was a trip through the haunted house sponsored by the juniors. Jacqueline Cooper escorted groups of five people through the maze set up on the stage. "Some of the little kids really got scared," she recalled, "especially when what they thought was a dummy sat up in the coffin."

A costume contest was held early in the evening with prizes going to winners in four age groups. An embarrassed Shelly Ruedas, competing in the ninth grade and up category, recalled: "I felt a little stupid standing on stage in front of everybody dressed as a pumpkin." Stuffed with balloons, Shelly's costume could be heard popping throughout the evening. "I had to run from some of my friends who thought it was funny to hear them pop and me scream."

A mummy, tramp, E.T., "Mr. T," and punk rocker are all winners in the first through third grade age category of the costume judging.

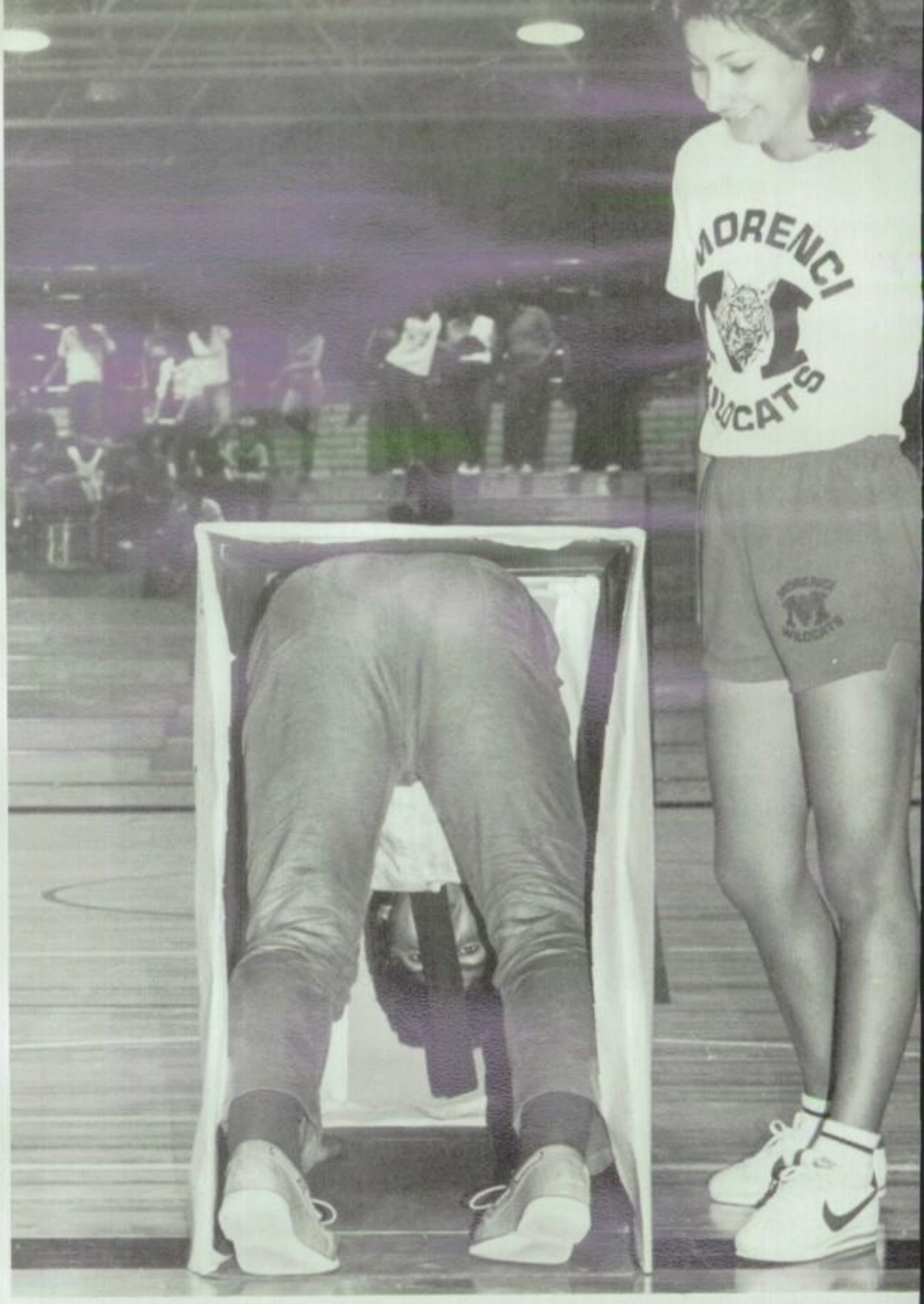
A harried housewife, Anthony Vasquez, selects something to eat from the AFS food booth.

Awaiting the judges decision are pumpkin Shelly Ruedas and Aunt Jemima, Mrs. Gilbert Padilla.

Count Dracula, portrayed by Jimmy Leaman, awaits his chance to scare visitors in the haunted house.

An upside-down Fred Sanders waits for his cue during a pep assembly while cheerleader Erika Baca checks on the contents of the "Spirit Box."

Freshman Jenny Ferro flashes Halloween greetings on October 31.



Enjoying each other's company at the Homecoming Dance are Becky Tellez and Chris Dingman.

Togetherness is the key word for the three volleyball teams stranded at the Power's house during the Clifton flood.

SPIRITS INHABIT HALLWAYS

"Spirit Week" activities got off to a ghostly start as Halloween opened the traditional week of dress-up days. Other themes included hat and shades day, surfer day, inside-out day, and red and black day. "There wasn't much participation after the first day," claimed Erika Baca. "We heard people were unhappy with themes we chose," added cheerleader Michelle Batiste, "All the good ideas had been used in the past."

Several pep assemblies held during the fall months gave students a chance to get together and show their class spirit while cheering on successful football and volleyball teams. A fun competition was held at each assembly with class representatives competing in a wheelbarrow race, banana race, and licorice-eating contest. "It was gross!" exclaimed sophomore Anna Navarrete after she and Steve Brannon finished second in the licorice chew. "It was hard for me to eat it since I can't stand black licorice. I wouldn't have volunteered had I known what we would have to do."

A group of boys awaits the opening bell on the first day of school.

A bumblebee and a devil, otherwise known as Aurelia Miranda and Erika Baca, enjoy the break between classes on Halloween.

SHOPPERS CLAMOR FOR CABBAGE PATCH KIDS

Winter Activities

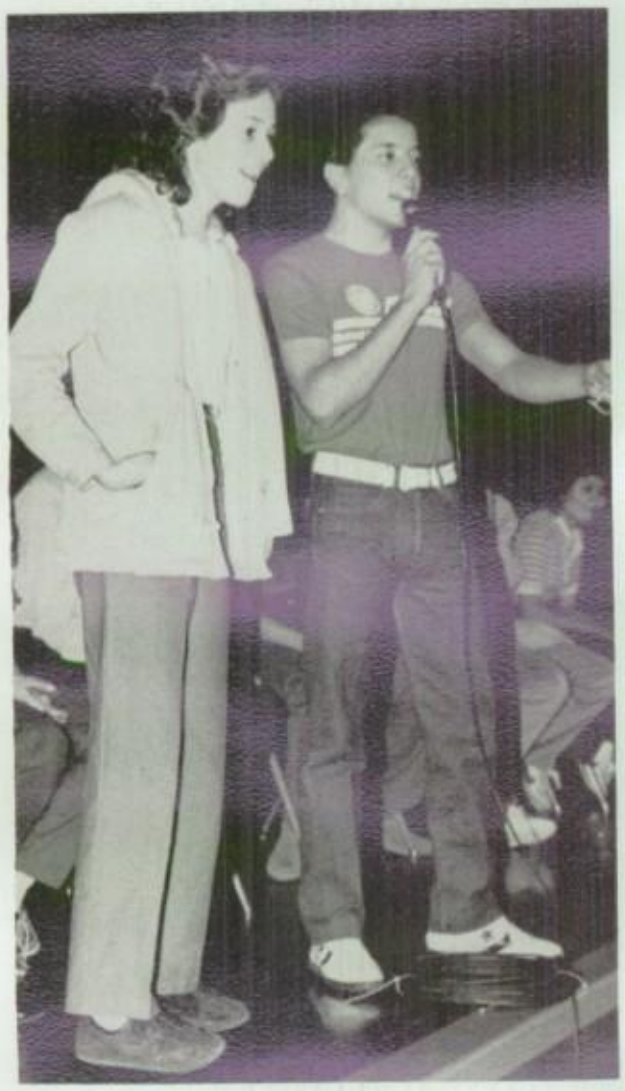
By far the hottest items on the market for Christmas were the Cabbage Patch Kids. The "one-of-a-kind" dolls, who came complete with a birth certificate and adoption papers, caused riots throughout the country as shoppers fought to buy the scarce commodity. Their appeal was so widespread that many teenagers and adults were as anxious to get one as small children.

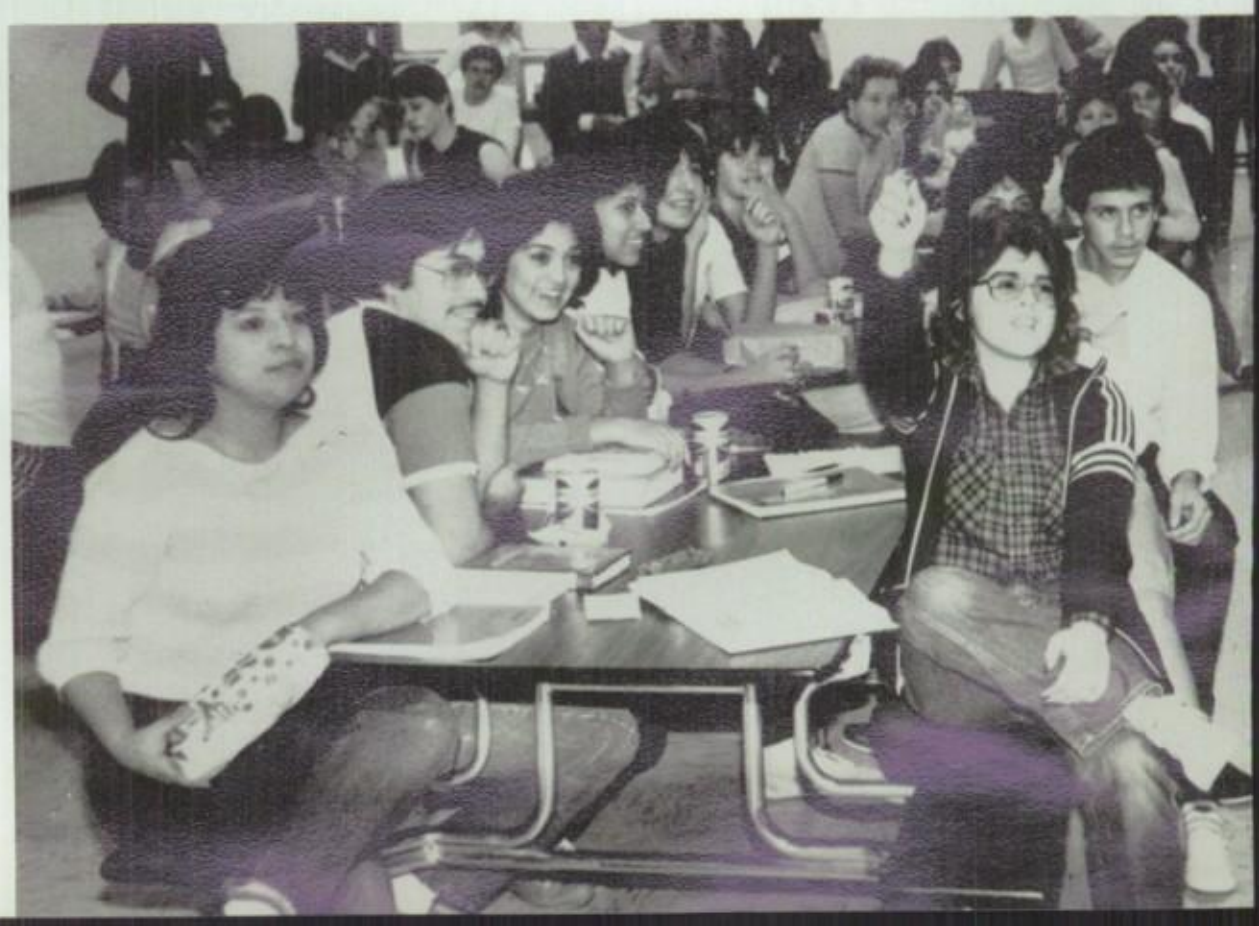
Junior Jacqueline Cooper was one of the lucky people in Morenci to receive a "Kid." "I started screaming and crying when I got one from a friend for Christmas," recalled Jacqueline. "The doll seemed so real I carried it around in a blanket everywhere I went for weeks. Everybody wanted to look at her bellybutton when I brought her to school."

The annual basketball homecoming ceremony was held in January during halftime of the Morenci-Benson game. Retiring faculty member Joseph Galusky was the guest speaker, and Mary Cork, representing the senior class, was chosen Queen.

Junior Attendants, Andrea DeJesus and Anthony Padilla carry the flowers and crown for the Basketball Homecoming Queen.

A member of the band "Image" presents flowers to Monica Lopez and Barbie Martinez, candidates for "Miss Merry Christmas."





On the auction block during the freshman slave sale, an astonished Lisa Taylor is sold by auctioneer Leonard Morales for $10 to Mr. Gary Walton.

After taking a collection at her table, Carol Mena raises the bid on a freshman at the slave auction.

One of the lucky ones who received a Cabbage Patch Kid for Christmas, Jacqueline Cooper brings "Alura Angie" to school.

Basketball Homecoming Queen, Mary Cork, is flanked by Liz Peralta and Junior Villagomez following her crowning at the Morenci-Tombstone game.

Finalists and their escorts for the '84 Basketball Homecoming include: Johnny Merino, Mona Sanders, Martin Gherna, Liz Abril, Elizabeth Enriquez, David Williams, Mary Ann Lopez, Chris Scott, Mary Cork, Junior Villagomez, Renade Kline, and Daniel Lopez.

AND THE MARCH GOES ON . . . AND ON . . . AND ON

Spring Activities

If for no other reason, the '83 Prom may be remembered for having one of the longest Grand Marches in history. As junior attendant Anna Lopez remarked, "I thought we were going to just keep doing the March all night." Michelle Batiste recalled: "My fingers started turning blue because we had to hold our arms up for so long when couples went through the bridge."

Leading the Grand March were the Prom King and Queen, Fred Sanders and Lorraine Moya. "Someone finally just told us to start dancing and everyone else would follow," recalled Lorraine. Grateful couples followed their lead and the March mercifully ended at last.

For a while, it seemed doubtful whether the Prom would ever take place. Problems plagued the juniors from the beginning as they tried to make arrangements for the annual dance.

First, there was the matter of settling on a date. Because of the various spring sports conflicting with proposed weekend dates, the juniors finally agreed on March 12. The early date was unpopular with the faculty, however, as it fell during spring vacation. "Our sponsors weren't real thrilled about cutting their vacation short to decorate for the Prom," confessed Leigh Ann Owen. "If it hadn't been for Mrs. Powers, we wouldn't have had any decorations."

A lack of funds threatened the success of the dance. "Because of the layoffs, we had trouble all year raising money," admitted class president Melissa Romero.

Decorating posed a new problem because it was the first year the dance was held in the multi-purpose room. As Leigh Ann explained: "No one was really sure which was the best way to put up the decorations. Plus, we had to tape every streamer separately since they wouldn't let us use staples in the new building."

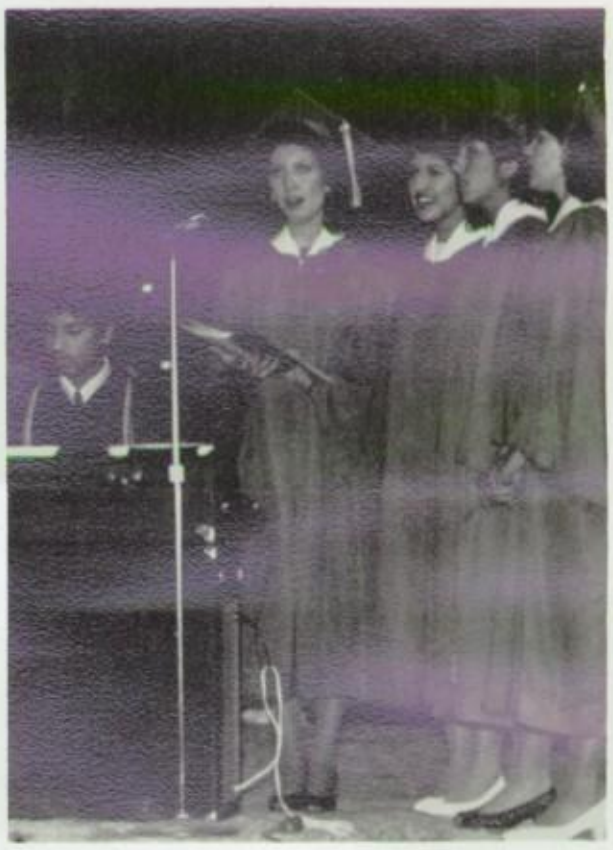
Elected '84 Junior Prom King and Queen are Marc Ruedas and Renade Kline.

Participating in the Grand March at the '83 Prom are the '82 Queen, Mona Rodriguez, and the '83 King and Queen, Fred Sanders and Lorraine Moya.

"Is that me?", asks Andrea Villarreal as she points out a picture to Evelyn Flores at the annual autograph party.

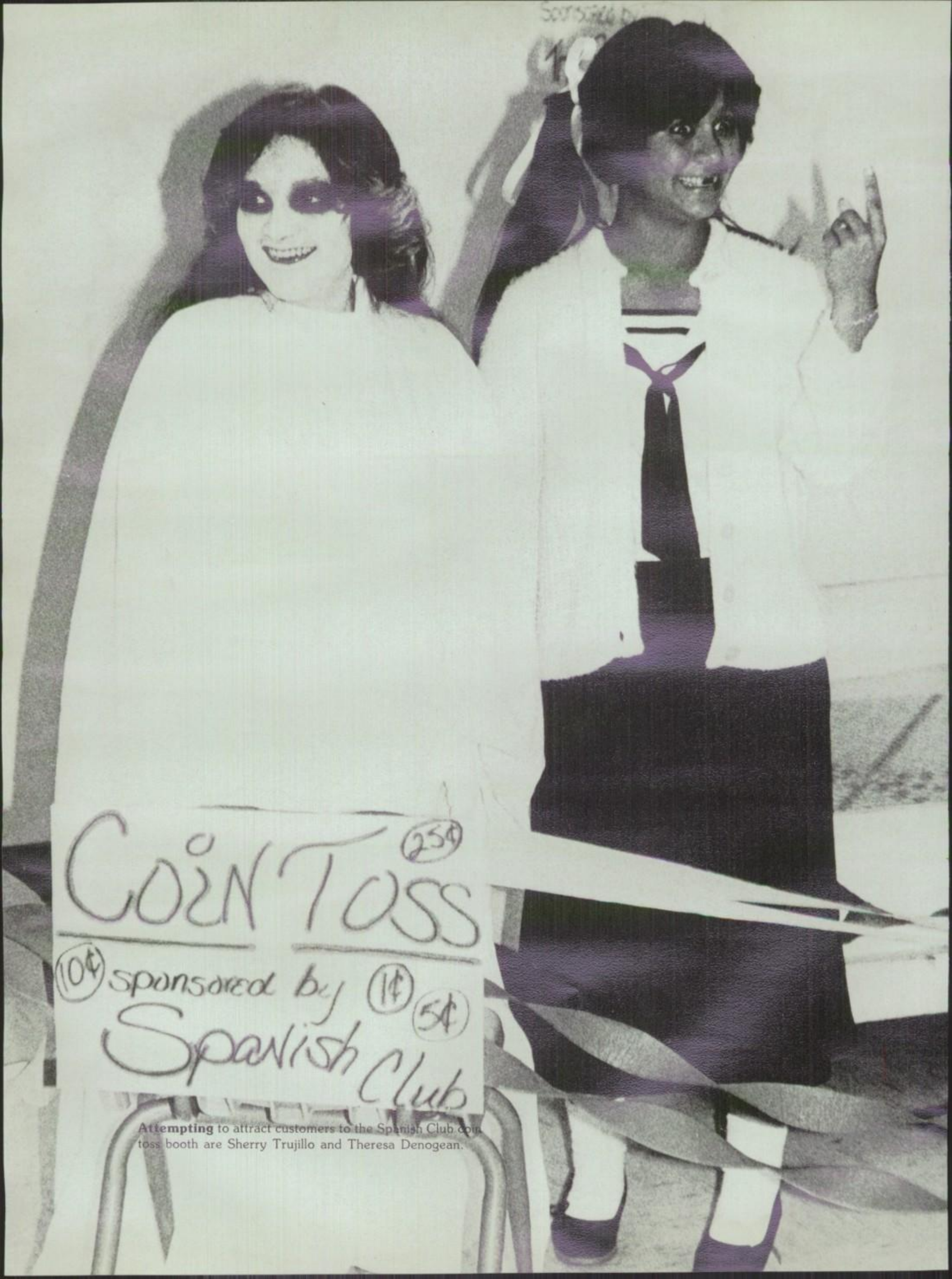
Graduates of the class of '83 prepare to be seated at Commencement Exercises.

'84 PROM ROYALTY includes: **FRONT ROW:** Callie Maldonado, Darlene Lizarraga, Martha Gonzales, Traci Flores, Liza Enriquez, Gerrie Velasquez, Barbie Martinez. **2ND:** Louie Lopez, David Williams, Duane Sanders, Sergio Urcadez, Joe Ortiz, Jody Rodriguez, Gilbert Valenzuela.



Singing a song composed for graduation by pianist Benjie Aguilar are Nancy Balderrama, Debbie Burt, Priscilla Baca, and Leticia Espinoza.

Students stand in line to buy plastic covers and autograph pages from members of the yearbook staff.



Attempting to attract customers to the Spanish Club coin toss booth are Sherry Trujillo and Theresa Denogean.

Together through . . .
CO-OPERATION

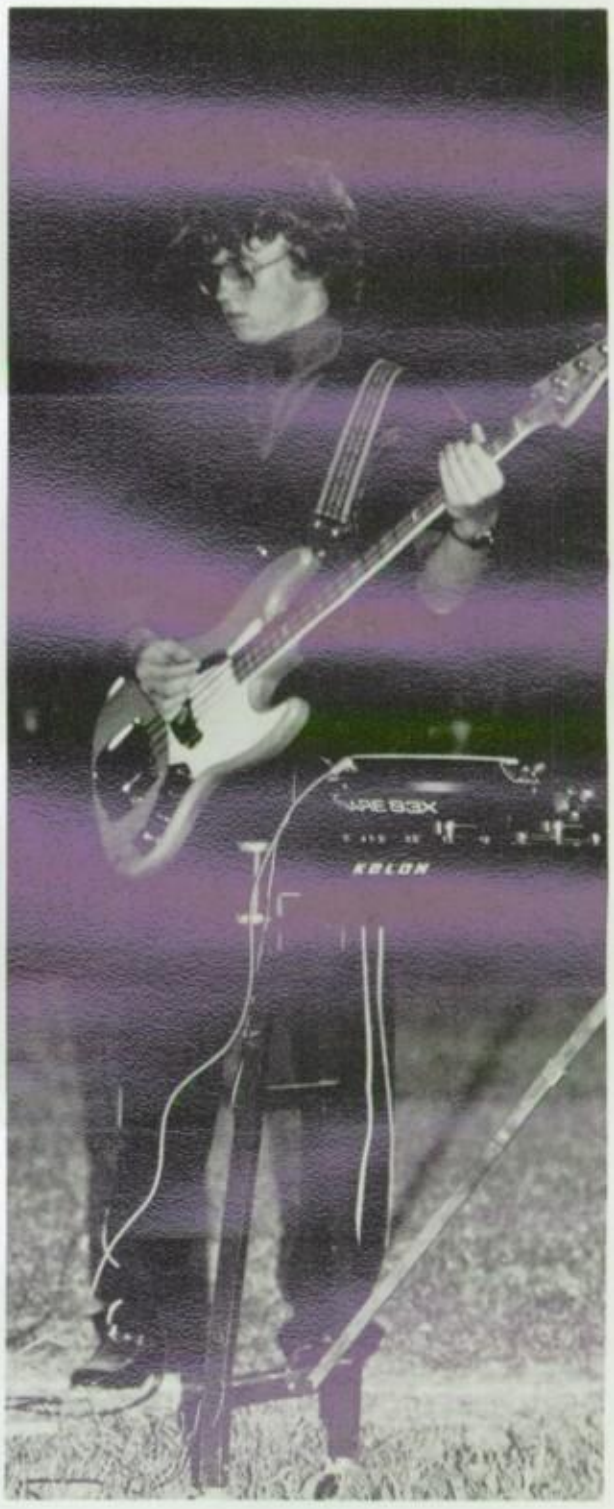
Most school organizations participated with the Student Council in the Halloween Carnival and had highly successful booths. Spanish Club held several chilaca sales throughout the year and AFS provided some much-needed Christmas spirit with its candy-o-grams.

Although criticized for their lack of ability, band members worked long and hard toward earning money for a summer camp in California. The yearbook staff showed its pride in the award-winning annual by distributing "Crazy About the Copper Cat" bumper stickers to patrons who purchased ads.

Despite not having a sponsor for several months, Drama Club members presented a successful play in February and made plans to entertain students at the grade schools with a special program in the spring.

Working together, most organizations were able to overcome the problems associated with the strike, and made outstanding contributions to the school year.

Wearing a Mexican sombrero and serape while working at the Spanish Club's booth at the Halloween Carnival is Angie Espinoza.



Bass guitarist Charlie Boling accompanies the Pride Band in their performance of "Shaker's Tune."

A wild game of musical chairs is played by Spanish and French Club members at their annual initiation party.

Decorating the school Christmas tree on the stage of the multi-purpose room are Erma Villagomez, Gerrie Velasquez, and Marnie Locke.

STUDENT COUNCIL: FRONT ROW: Teresa Dayao, Kathy Verdugo, Sherry Trujillo, vice-pres.; Lorraine Moya, Gerrie Velasquez, treas.; Kristina Richardson, Becky Tellez. **2ND:** Francie Rodriguez, Marnie Locke, Martha Gonzales, Traci Flores, Melanie Romero, Monica Sanders. **3RD:** Michelle Ruedas, Elisa Borjon, sec.; Erma Villagomez, Callie Maldonado, Frankie Maldonado, Joey Yarger. **4TH:** Manny Vasquez, Marina O'Leary, Michelle Batiste, Leigh Ann Owen, pres.; Ricky Perkins, Chris Scott. **Not Pictured:** Barbie Martinez, Suzie Valdez.

Attired in costumes, Student Council members Francie Rodriguez, Leigh Ann Owen, Michelle Batiste, and Lorraine Moya visit the elementary schools to tell the students about the upcoming Halloween Carnival.

Carefully balancing the punch bowl, Suzie Valdez and Kristina Richardson help with the refreshments on College Visitation Day.

Governor For Ransom

Kidnapping was a popular pastime at Boys' State and Girls' State, held at NAU and the University of Arizona respectively.

Patrick Scheier was one of six delegates from his city who took part in kidnapping the governor of Boys' State. As Pat explained: "We didn't have any money for a party one night, so we decided to kidnap the governor and ransom him for eight pizzas. We left a note on the stage of the student union auditorium instructing whoever found it that the governor would be released after we received the ransom."

Keeping the governor blindfolded so he couldn't identify his captors, the kidnappers moved him from room to room while the dorm was searched. "We moved him back and forth while they looked in all the rooms," admitted Pat. Unable to locate the governor, the search party gave up and ordered five pizzas, which was all they could afford.

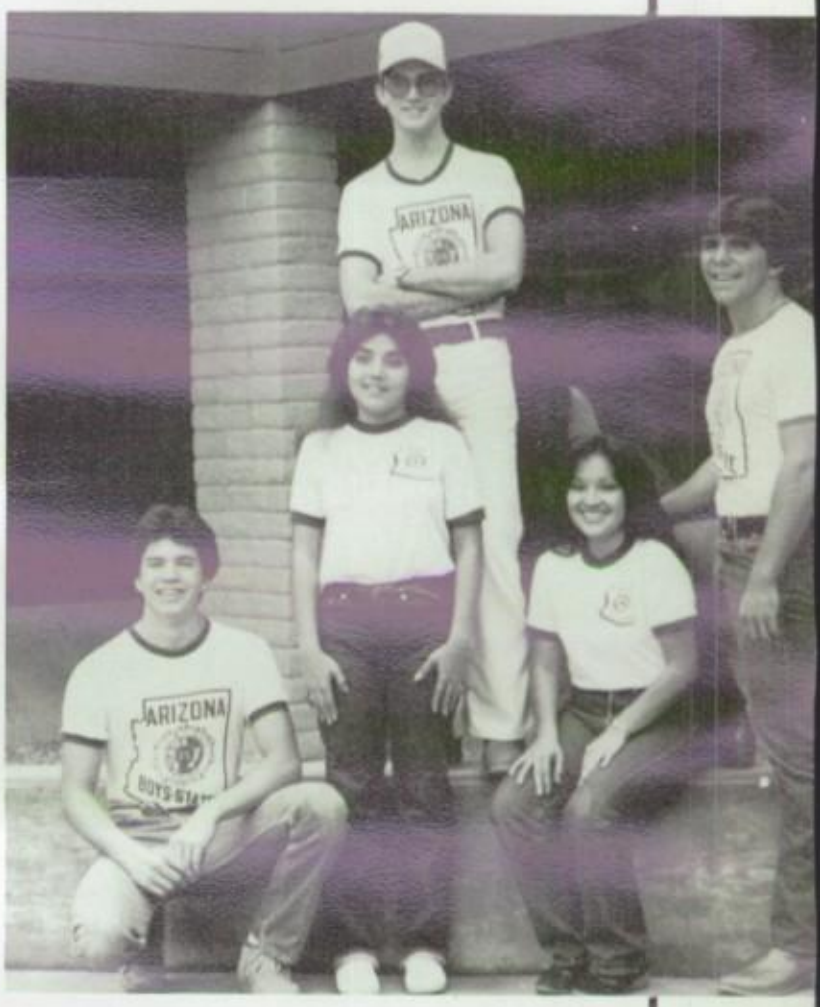
While at Girls' State, Lorraine Moya was assigned as a secret service agent responsible for guarding the mascot, Kanga, a stuffed kangaroo. Left unattended one day, Kanga was kidnapped from a table in the dining room while Lorraine was having lunch. "Fortunately for me," said Lorraine, "he was returned unharmed shortly thereafter. From then on, I hid him under my bed whenever I went to eat."

At Anytown, a different topic was discussed each evening. Presenting a skit based on cultural backgrounds, Leigh Ann Owen played the part of a pregnant Italian women. "I borrowed some big sweatpants and stuffed them with a pillow," she explained, "but I had a little trouble keeping them up all night."

On Variety Night, students in Ricky Perkins' cabin did a take-off of the Match Game. "I was going to be one of the celebrities," claimed Ricky, "but after they heard me doing sound effects, they decided I was better at that."

The Student Council state convention was held at Lake Havasu. The theme of the annual affair was "Dare to Dream" and students were encouraged never to be afraid to dream of what they might accomplish. According to Gerrie Velasquez, "They told us we should always be willing to try things without being afraid or putting ourselves down." Delegate Lorraine Moya added: "The speakers were great! They told us no one ever has the right to take away our ability to dream."

GIRLS' STATE AND BOYS' STATE REPRESENTATIVES: FRONT ROW: Ernesto Llamas, Lorraine Moya, Sherry Trujillo, Fred Sanders. **2ND:** Pat Scheier.

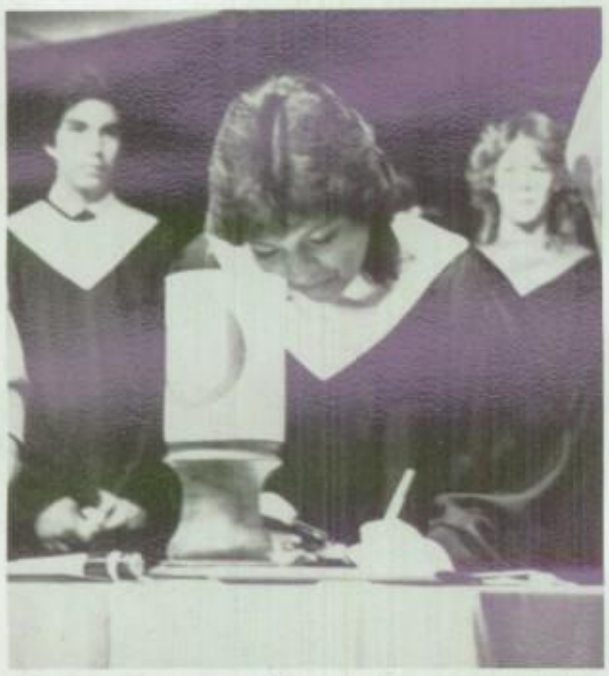


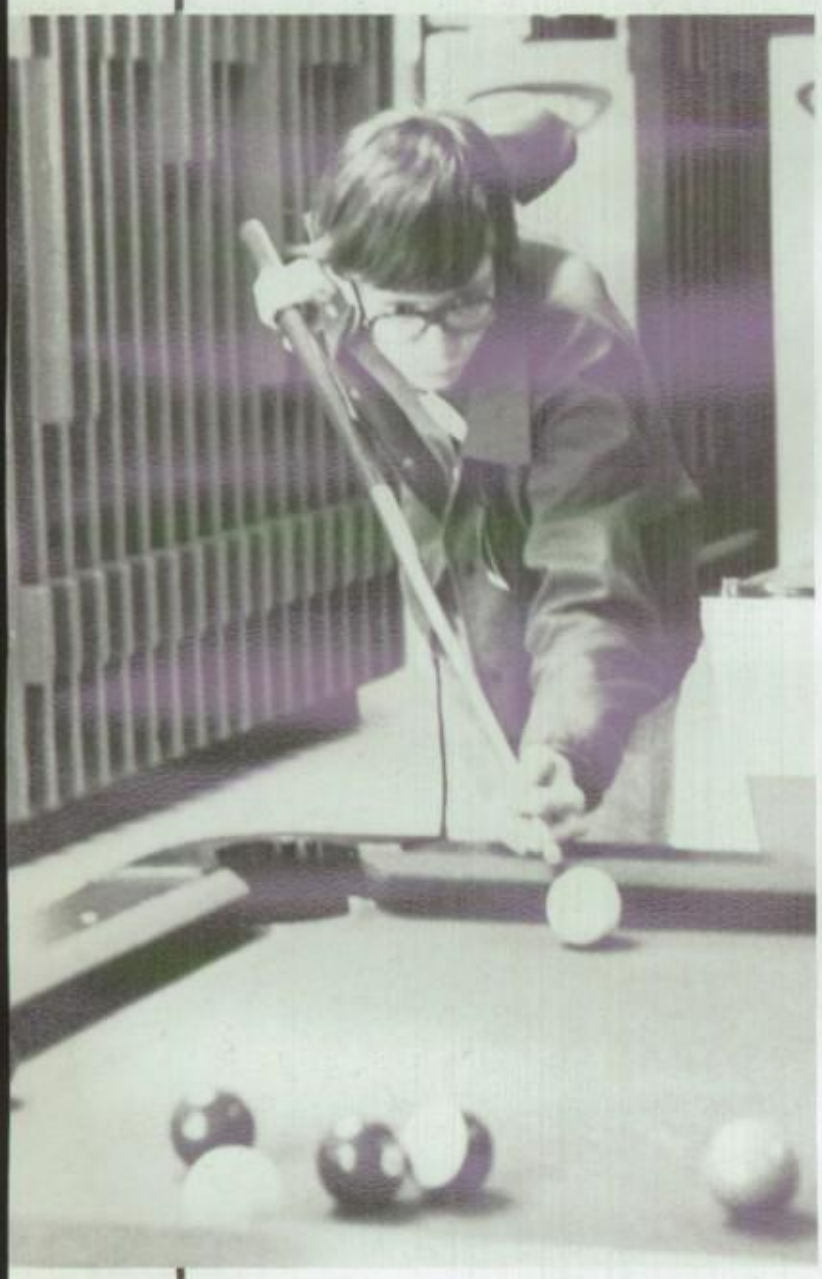
AMUN delegates representing Kenya include: **FRONT ROW:** Peggy Scheier, David Annis. **2ND:** Darlene Lizzaraga, Joey Yarger. **3RD:** Ricky Perkins.

ANYTOWN REPRESENTATIVES: Tomas Borjon, Leigh Ann Owen, Ricky Perkins, Kim Gullion.

Lighting the "Mother:' candle prior to the S.N.H.S. initiation ceremony is Cristina Romero. Installing officers, Michelle Maldonado and Donna Chavez, wait to complete the opening address.

Signing the S.N.H.S. membership book at the spring ceremony is Martha Gonzales.





Enjoying a game of pool, NHS initiate David Annis relaxes at the bowling alley after the pinning ceremony.

SPANISH NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INITIATES include: FRONT ROW: Callie Maldonado, Marianne Padilla, Frances Borjon, Lori Stoner, Anna Martinez. **2ND:** Martha Gonzales, Duane Sanders, Mike Denogean, Hector Baca, Ernesto Llamas, Louis Lopez, Carol Mena.

A Select Few

It wasn't exactly a banner year for National Honor Society initiates. Only three juniors qualified for membership in the organization which requires students to have a 1.5 overall grade point average. "It's the fewest number we've initiated in the last fifteen years," stated Mr. Joseph Galusky, NHS adviser.

Mrs. Ellen Vandervort, a past member of the Morenci faculty, was the guest speaker at the ceremony held in the multi-purpose room. Musical numbers were performed by initiate Michael Moreno on the trumpet, and freshman pianist Kristina Richardson.

Spanish National Honor Society welcomed twelve new members into its organization at the annual ceremony held in the spring of '83. The installing officers were Donna Chavez and Michelle Maldonado.

A member of the community, Mrs. Lynn Loving, was the guest speaker. Mrs. Loving has been a Spanish teacher for both EAC and Pima College and served as a foreign exchange student to Mexico while she was in high school.

"Ouch!" yells Michael Moreno as NHS member Tony Tedla sticks him while pinning on the intiation ribbon.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS include **FRONT ROW:** Sherry Trujillo, Lorraine Moya, Leigh Ann Owen. **2ND:** Ernesto Llamas, Tony Tedla, Hulon Hayes, Ricky Perkins.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INITIATES include **FRONT ROW:** Traci Flores, Michael Moreno. **2ND:** David Annis.

Second to None

Drying some of the 2,000 pictures printed for the sets of Clifton flood pictures is photographer Annette Lizarraga.

Continuing its tradition of excellence, the '83 **Copper Cat** received an All American award from National Scholastic Press Association, the third year in a row the yearbook has received the coveted ranking. Another first-place award was granted by Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

Judges for both critique services were unanimous in their opinion that the '83 annual was " . . . an outstanding book!" The NSPA judge, who attended the Arizona Interscholastic Press Association workshop in Flagstaff, called the Morenci yearbook " . . . the best book in Arizona — much better planned and organized than the giant books coming out of the Phoenix area."

After finishing several hundred dollars in the "red" last year, the staff found it necessary to come up with some fund-raisers, the most profitable of which was the sale of pictures taken of the flood in Clifton. Co-head photographers, Kevin Farwell and Leigh Ann Owen, compiled a packet of twelve pictures taken during the height of the October flood. "No more, please!" exclaimed Kevin after the photography staff printed nearly 130 sets of the pictures. "We've had enough of mass production already," added senior photographer Steve Gamblin.

Another successful fund-raiser was the sale of patrons' ads which enabled buyers to have their names printed in the yearbook. **Copper Cat** bumper stickers were given as a "thank you" for the donation. "I think it was a really good idea," volunteered first year staff member, Murl Easley. "It was an easy way to make a lot of money for the book."

With the arrival of computers in the business education department, staff member David Annis programmed the yearbook's headline count into the machine. "It took me about five hours to write and type the program but it takes mere seconds now to get a headline," claimed David.

Eight new members were inducted into Quill and Scroll at the annual spring ceremony. A buffet dinner which preceded the informal initiation, was held at Greenlee Country Club. "Definitely classier than the potluck we had in the old home ec room the year before!" exclaimed Ricky Perkins.

Helping to decorate the publications room at Christmas, sophomore photographer Francie Rodriguez sprays a snowman on the classroom windows.

1983 QUILL AND SCROLL MEMBERS: FRONT ROW: Sherry Trujillo, Leigh Ann Owen, Francis Borjon, Benjie Aguilar, Michelle Maldonado, Kelly Baker. **2ND:** Steve Gamblin, Rick Perkins, Paula Jones, Clay Flowers, Cristina Romero, Tony Tedla, Ernesto Llamas, John Lee. **3RD:** Kevin Farwell, Rodrick Hogg.

COPPER CAT STAFF: FRONT ROW: Dodi Stout, Julie Baker, Lorraine Moya, Sherry Trujillo, Francie Rodriguez, Shelly Ruedas, Kristina Richardson, Becky Tellez, Carol Mena, Debbie Rodela. **2ND:** Julie Carr, Dianne Hartley, Lisa Taylor, Jenny Ferro, Martha Gonzales, Libby Chavez, Annette Rocha, Grace Franco, Beatrice Denogean, Christina Rodela. **3RD:** Steve Brannon, Pam Willard, Teresa Padilla, Ernesto Llamas, Christina Dingman, Elisa Borjon, Annette Lizarraga, Mona Sanders, Murl Easley, Chris Hughes. **4TH:** Steve Gamblin, Kevin Farwell, Michael Moreno, Tony Tedla, Becky Peru, Leigh Ann Owen, Ricky Perkins, Clint Moreno, David Annis, Chuck Boling, Joey Yarger. **Not Pictured:** Anne Dingman, Barbie Martinez, Joe Stoner, Suzie Valdez.

Using the Apple III to figure out the pica count, Murl Easley types in a headline on the computer.

At the Copper Cat's mock Academy Awards show, Debbie Rodela receives the "One-Eyed Pirate Award" from presenter Michelle Maldonado.

A happy initiate, Sherry Trujillo, receives her pin from senior Kelly Baker at the Quill and Scroll Banquet.

Rising from a drunken stupor, Renade Kline shocks Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kirby, played by Kristina Richardson and Justin Flowers. Other cast members pictured include: Ricky Perkins, Ernesto Llamas, Michelle Batiste, and Carri Short.

Acting out a love scene in the play "You Can't Take It With You" are Michelle Batiste and Ernesto Llamas.

In deep thought, Peggy Scheier concentrates on the next move in her chess match with an opponent from Santa Rita.

Lost In Love

Drama Club's two-night presentation of "You Can't Take It With You" was a rousing success, attracting one of the largest audiences ever for a MHS production. "We really had a good-sized crowd the second night," emphasized student director Mary Cork. "I guess everyone wanted to see the play after the favorable reviews from people who saw it the first night."

Act One was several minutes shorter the second night the play was presented because Tony, Ernesto Llamas, forgot almost two pages of script. "I got my lines all mixed up," confessed Ernesto. "I thought Michelle Batiste said a line that actually came later in the scene." Grandpa Sycamore, played by Ricky Perkins, had another explanation. "He did it just so he could get to the kissing scene with Michelle that much faster."

Ernesto had a different kind of problem the opening night of the play. Getting a quick drink between scenes, he knelt in a puddle of water on the floor. "I had to blow dry my pants before I went back on stage," he explained.

Ricky Perkins' portrayal of Grandpa was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. As senior Gary Bishop remarked, "You know, he really does remind me of an old man."

The Wild Knights chess team finished its season with a 6-4 record. "We didn't do as well this year," explained David Annis, "because most of our experienced players graduated."

Hosting a local chess match, Morenci opened the season with wins against Sahuarita, Buena, and Santa Rita. Two additional victories were picked up through forfeits by University and St. Gregory.

The team qualifying meet for the state tournament was a disaster as Morenci lost all three matches. "We nicknamed our vehicle the 'Blunder Mobile' on the way home," confided an embarrassed Joey Yarger.

CHESS SCOREBOARD

MHS	3	Sahuarita	2	
MHS	4	Buena	1	
MHS	3.5	Santa Rita	1.5	
MHS	0	**Nogales**	5	
MHS	3	Sahuaro	2	
MHS	1.5	**CDO**	3.5	
MHS	5	University	0	(forfeit)
MHS	0	**Amphi**	5	
MHS	5	St. Gregory	0	(forfeit)
MHS	1	**Sunnyside**	4	
MHS	.5	* **University**	4.5	
MHS	1	* **Buena**	4	
MHS	1.5	* **Santa Rita**	3.5	

WON-6 LOST-7

*State Qualifying Tournament

DRAMA CLUB: FRONT ROW: Melissa Legatzke, Julie Baker, Renade Kline, Shelly Bryant, Lisa Cueto, Monica Lopez, Gina Franco, Becky Tellez. **2ND:** Debbie Salcido, Carri Short, Julie Carr, Dianne Hartley, Peggy Scheier, Kristina Richardson, Suzie Valdez. **3RD:** Ricky Perkins, Debra Patterson, Beth Phelps, Mary Cork, Grace Franco, Lisa Franco, James Cooper. **4TH:** Pam Willard, Ernesto Llamas, Patrick Scheier, Kent Crotts, Steve Brannon, David Bouriaque, Joe Imrich.

CHESS CLUB: FRONT ROW: Norman Williams, Adam Roman, Ernesto Llamas. **2ND:** Anthony Vasquez, Peggy Scheier, Ricky Perkins. **3RD:** David Bouriaque, Gina Franco, Joey Yarger. **4TH:** David Annis, Patrick Scheier, Gisela Kovacs. **5TH:** Jon Kiesling, Linda Kovacs.

Sweet Messages

FRENCH CLUB: FRONT ROW: Gina Franco, Yvonne Moreno, Evelyn Flores. **2ND:** Peggy Scheier, Claudia Valenzuela, officer; Gisela Kovacs, officer; Linda Kovacs. **3RD:** Hulon Hayes, Pam Willard, Kathy Clayton, officer; Murl Easley, officer.

AFS helped spread Christmas cheer with its delivery of candy-o-grams the week before Christmas vacation. "We took almost 300 orders during the week," commented committee member Annette Lizarraga. "We wrote a little saying and filled in a design on each tag before attaching it to a candy cane. By the time we were done, we all swore we never wanted to see another candy cane as long as we lived."

When asked why she thought the candy-o-grams were such a hit, freshman Kristina Richardson replied: "They were cheaper than sending Christmas cards — tasted better too!"

Another popular fund-raiser for the club was its "Madame Gweeta" booth at the Halloween Carnival. Veronica Flores and Jenny Ferro took turns telling fortunes after gazing into their crystal ball or reading the tarot cards.

Although MHS was without a foreign exchange student for the third consecutive year, club sponsor Virgil Cork vowed to keep trying. "Hopefully, conditions in the community will soon be more conducive to our hosting a student," he remarked.

Both the Spanish and French Clubs got off to a rousing start with their annual initiation party. "It was a lot of fun but very messy," commented Carol Mena. "We had shaving cream fights and also made the initiates sit on water balloons."

Spanish Club sponsored a penny pitching booth at the Halloween Carnival and held several successful chilaca sales at lunchtime. Refering to the club's best customers, Angie Espinoza remarked: "The teachers are a sure mark when it comes to food."

French Club got into the fund-raising act by selling buttons with catchy phrases written either in French or Spanish.

SPANISH CLUB: FRONT ROW: Gerrie Velasquez, Anna Martinez, Melissa Rocha, Irma Paz, Sherry Trujillo, Lorraine Moya, vice-president. **2ND:** Cecilia Bustamante, Joann Sierra, Liz Abril, Carol Mena, co-president; Melissa Romero, co-president; Terri Anderson, Jenny Ferro. **3RD:** Yvonne Moreno, Elisa Borjon, Teresa Padilla, Angie Espinoza, secretary-treasurer; Maria Cordova, Peggy Scheier. **4TH:** Sandra Sierra, Kim Gullion, Martin Gherna, Ernesto Llamas, Carolina Espinoza, Lorraine Varela, Lisa Franco, Albert Cordova.

Checking to see if there are any empty holes, Evelyn Flores prepares the French Club's lollipop tree to be used at the Halloween Carnival.

AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE: FRONT ROW: Anthony Vasquez, Kristina Richardson, Shelly Bryant, Lisa Cueto, Beth Phelps, Melissa Legatzke, Irma Paz, Lisa Malloque, Gerrie Velasquez. **2ND:** Jenny Ferro, Carri Short, Marina O'Leary, Andrea Villarreal, Francie Rodriguez, vice-president; Ann Mendoza, Marnie Lock, Carol Mena. **3RD:** Renade Kline, Linda Kovacs, Gisela Kovacs, Veronica Flores, Christina Dingman, secretary; Elisa Borjon, Peggy Scheier, Gina Franco. **4TH:** Kim Gullion, program chairman; Frank Benevidez, Steve Gaethje, Holly Parsons, Stephanie Feinstein, Erma Villagomez, Shanna Gash, Jeff Best, president.

Telling a fortune, Veronica Flores reads the tarot cards for a customer at the carnival booth sponsored by AFS.

Paying the price for being an initiate, Liz Abril is sprayed with shaving cream by Diane Baray and Carol Mena as Mrs. Laura Washington watches the action.

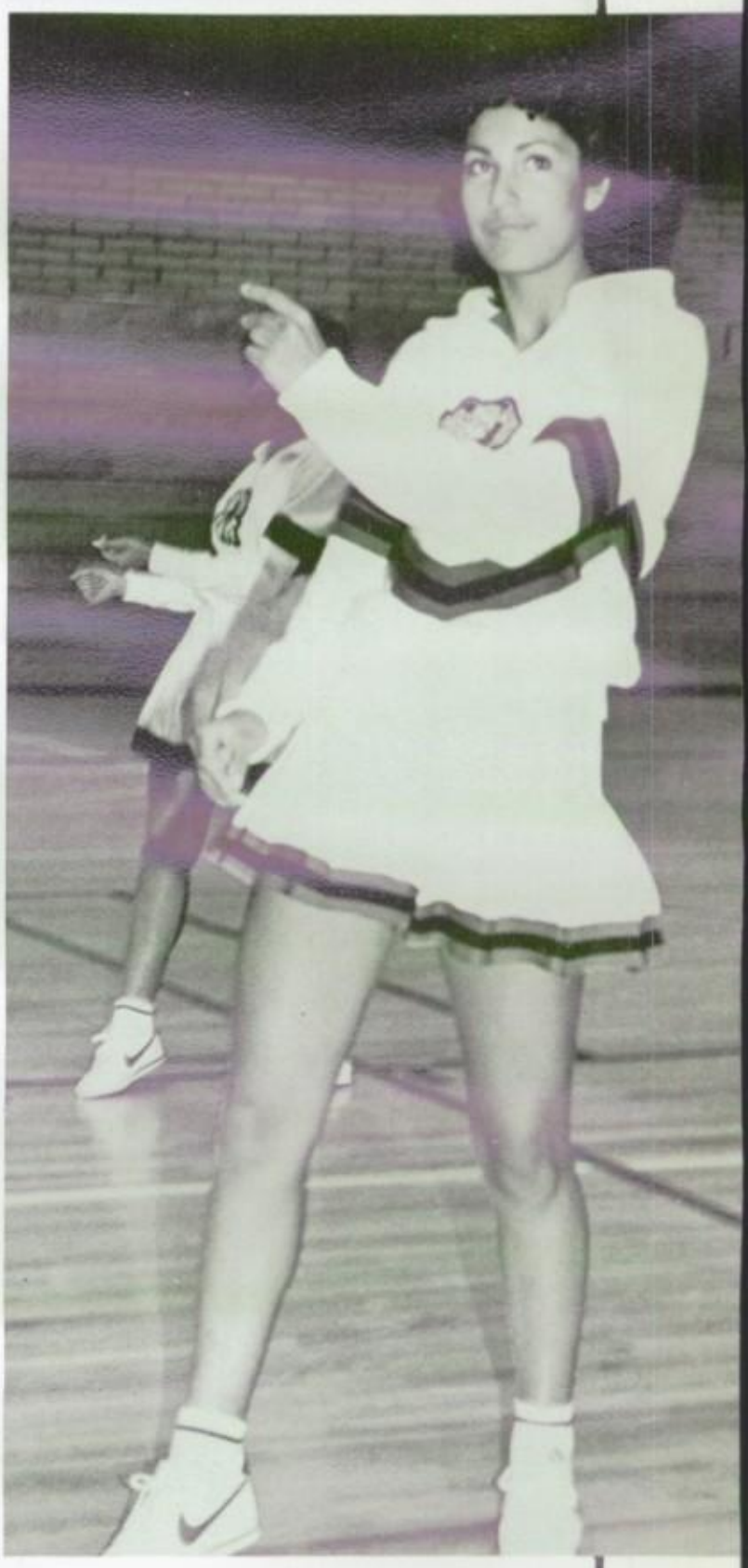
VARSITY CHEERLEADERS: FRONT ROW: Leigh Ann Owen. **2ND:** Michelle Batiste, Mary Ann Lopez, Erika Baca. **3RD:** Traci Flores.

A happy Leigh Ann Owen smiles during the closing moments of Morenci's 34-0 rout of Williams in the opening game of the football state playoffs.

Performing a dance routine at a pep assembly are Mary Ann Lopez, Erika Baca, Traci Flores, and Michelle Batiste.

J.V. CHEERLEADERS: FRONT ROW: Marnie Locke, Christine Rodela. **2ND:** Andrea Villarreal. **3RD:** Gloria Valdez.

Wearing the familiar mascot's costume, Jacqueline Cooper is "Whiskers" at home football and basketball games.



Concentrating on the next step, Erika Baca performs to the song "Safety Dance."

Hard Work Pays Off

Long hours of practice paid off for the varsity cheerleading squad at the summer camp they attended at Mountain Shadows Resort in Scottsdale. "We practiced several nights until midnight," explained senior Leigh Ann Owen, "but it was worth it since we won three blue ribbons. As a matter of fact, we were the only squad there to win a blue ribbon the first day."

Demonstrating outstanding spirit during the week-long camp, the squad was also awarded the spirit stick to take home.

After finding out they would only be provided with one meal a day — lunch — the girls were shocked when they discovered how expensive food was at the Resort restaurants. "Just a sandwich and fries was $5.00," groaned Michelle Batiste. "We went to the grocery store and stocked up on bologna, chips; and other junk food."

Since there was only one freshman team (boys' basketball), frosh cheerleading tryouts were never held. "We were told the administration didn't feel it was worthwhile to have cheerleaders for just one sport," explained Mary Ann Lopez.

Preparing for the weekend's performance, Beth Phelps and Grace Franco practice their flag routine.

FLAG GIRLS: FRONT ROW: Beth Phelps, Maria Dominguez, Bernice Trujillo, Becky Tellez. **2ND:** Grace Franco, Ann Mendoza, Lisa Terry, Irma Paz. **3RD:** Roxanne Breshears, Rachel Saiz, Patty Pena, Anna Chavez.

PERCUSSION SECTION: FRONT ROW: Beatrice Denogean, Darlene Lizarraga, Lisa Malloque, Lorraine Sierra, Kathy Verdugo, Christine Rodela. **2ND:** Frank Benavidez, Joe Peru, Chuck Boling, David Jackson. **3RD:** Brian Looby, Damian Tellez, Annette Lizarraga, Chris Herrera, Ev Gordon.

Clarinet player Sherry Kingsley marches to the music of "Billie Jean," a song popularized by Michael Jackson.

WOODWIND SECTION: FRONT ROW: Janet Humphrey, Michelle Ray, Sherry Kingsley, Gerrie Velasquez, Joann Sierra, Julie Baker, Renade Kline, Dodi Stout, Melanie Romero. **2ND:** Cris Robillard, Missy Bruce, Dianne Hartley, Ilda Pedrosa, Deana Martinez, Francie Rodriguez, Anita Withrow, Chris Hughes, Andrea Villarreal, Marina O'Leary. **3RD:** Kristina Richardson, Amy Wood, Kim Guillion, Sheri Durr, Theresa Denogean, Veronica Flores, Sandra Sierra, Yvonne Moreno, Melissa Rocha, Lesli Hogg, Shelly Wood, Anita Espinoza.

Target of Criticism

A young inexperienced band often found itself the target of criticism during marching season. "After losing 23 seniors last year, we just didn't have what it took to meet up to previous standards," commented Michael Moreno. "Attitude was another problem," admitted freshman Lisa Taylor. "The majority of the band just wasn't dedicated enough."

The band's problems were apparent when they competed in the Parade of Champions in Las Cruces, New Mexico. "We were out of our class," remarked Becky Tellez after their dismal showing.

Instead of directing the band from the field as had been done in the past, the drum majors took turns standing on a newly acquired podium. "Using the podium was fine except for the time in the rain when I almost slid off," commented Chris Dingman.

"We almost forgot the podium when we went to Las Cruces," recalled Joe Stoner. "Since it was locked inside the stadium, Angel Flores and I had to hop the fence. Using our superb strength and size, we hurled it over the fence to people waiting on the other side."

Early morning practices were common as members struggled to perfect their shows. For some, however, 7:30 a.m. was just too early. "I had a habit of running late in the mornings," confessed Lesli Hogg, "and Mr. Munoz made us run laps around the formation when we were tardy. I really didn't mind it though, especially if there were others running with me."

A group of 12 flag girls also put in long hours practicing their routines each week. As squad co-captain Lisa Terry observed, "Whenever Mr. Munoz said 'one more time', it usually meant we did it ten more times."

Performing on the xylophone, sophomore Annette Lizarraga opens the song "Shaker Tune."

Setting the tempo for the band during an early morning practice are members of the drum section.

A Gift For All

Choir members harmonize on a selection at the '83 spring music concert.

TWIRLER AND DRUM MAJORS: Chris Dingman, Kim Waldorf, Penny Pingleton.

Presenting their gift to the community, the band and choir gave a Christmas concert on December 12. With only three weeks to prepare, both groups felt rather rushed. "We really didn't have much time to spend on our songs," commented Aurelia Miranda, a member of the choir. "We went over them just enough to learn our parts."

The lack of practice wasn't apparent, however, as the choir gave a performance which was warmly received by the audience. Numbers included "White Christmas," "A Christmas Song," and "Three Songs for Christmas."

Senior Erika Baca performed a solo entitled "A Christmas Eve." As Erika explained, "The song was very special to me since it was composed by my fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Moseley," Audrey Windsor and Brenda Tomlin sang a duet entitled "No Room That Night," also composed by Mrs. Moseley.

Even though preparation for the concert was brief, members of the band felt they gave one of their better performances. This view was shared by principal John Glodis who was overheard commenting, "It was one of the best concerts the band has ever given."

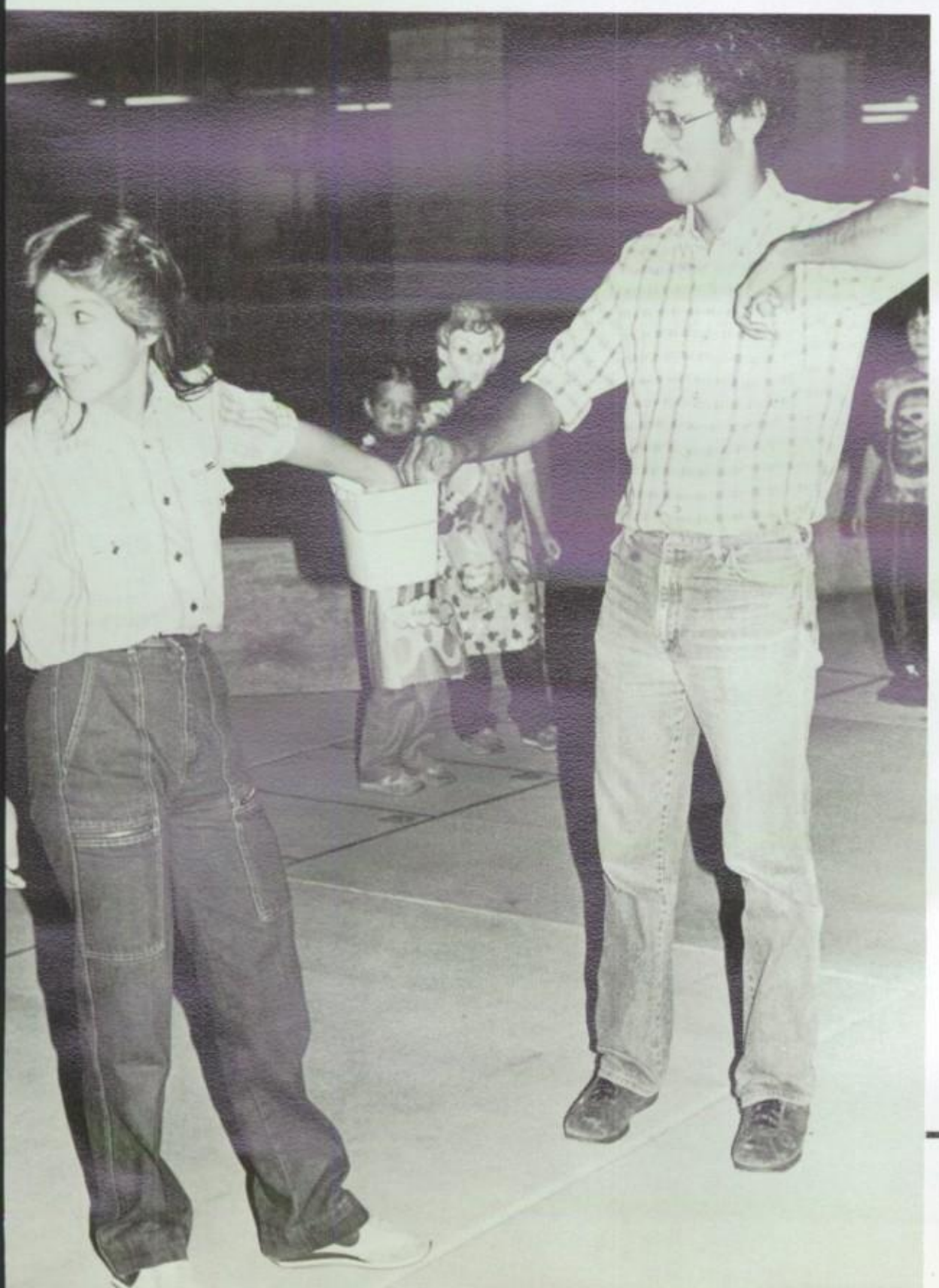
Included in their repertoire of numbers were the medleys "Home for Christmas," "A Christmas Party," and "A Christmas Suite."

BRASS SECTION: FRONT ROW: Audrey Windsor, Lisa Taylor, Libby Chavez, Lisa Cueto, Debbie Rodela, Suzie Valdez. **2ND:** Anthony Humphrey, Angel Flores, Justin Flowers, Michael Moreno, Eddie Chavez, Kenneth Windsor, Pam Willard, Tom Stinson.

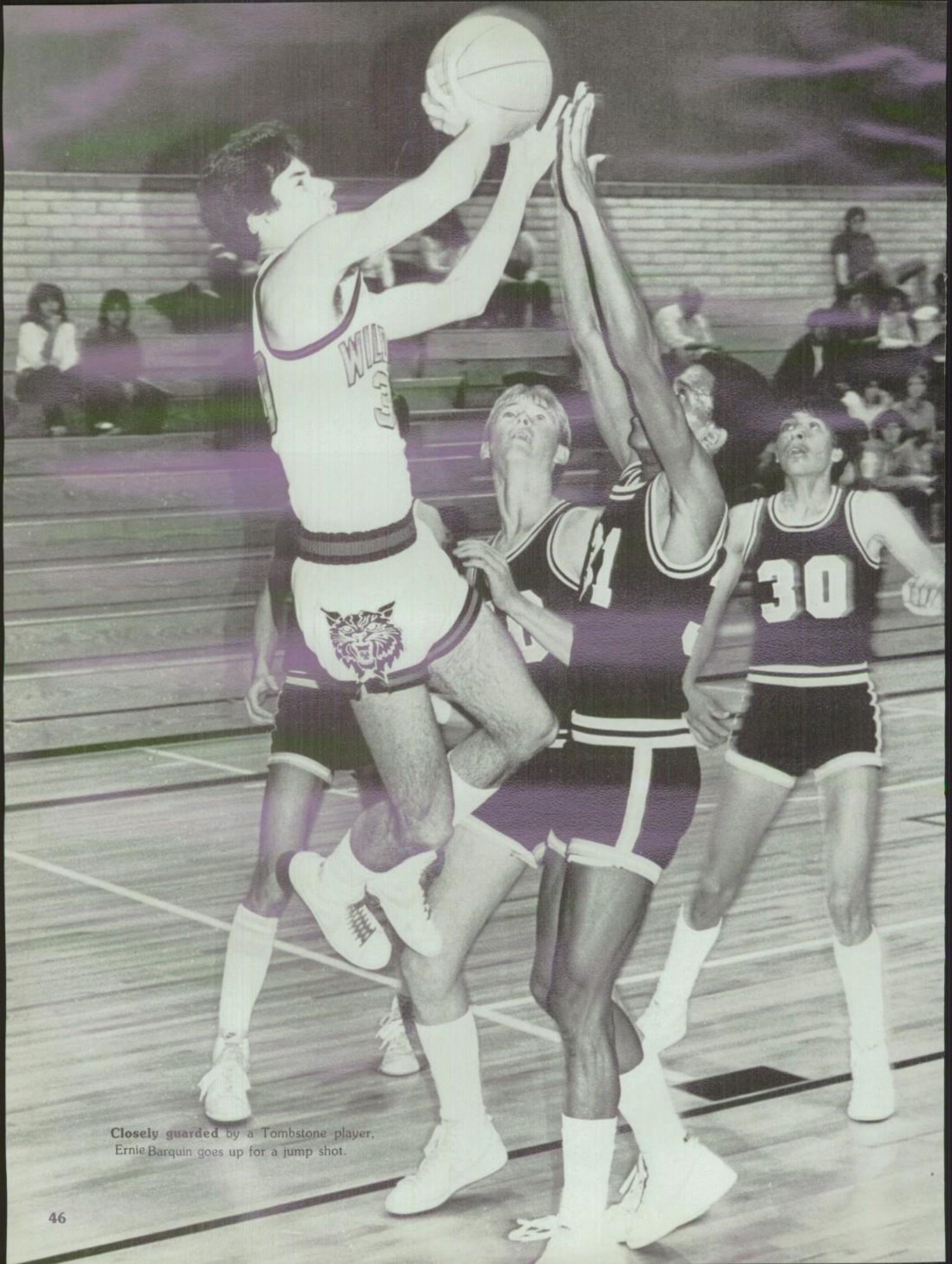
CHOIR: FRONT ROW: Kellie Rhodes, Sylvia Avalos, Cathy Gallegos, Christine Gallegos, Aurelia Miranda. **2ND:** Deborah McDowell, Anna Pena, Claudia Valenzuela, Erika Baca, Leslie Paz. **3RD:** Jessie Bejarano, Patty Pena, Tammy Esparza, Jeanie Snyder, Alice Gonzales.

Reading the music, woodwind section members Andrea Villarreal, Joann Sierra, Marina O'Leary, and Annette Lizarraga await their entry into the song.

Clarinetist Tea Denogean performs a solo at the '83 spring concert.



Drawing the next number from the bag held by band director Roger Munoz, Kathy Verdugo selects another winner in the food walk at the Halloween Carnival.



Closely guarded by a Tombstone player, Ernie Barquin goes up for a jump shot.

Together in . . . COMPETITION

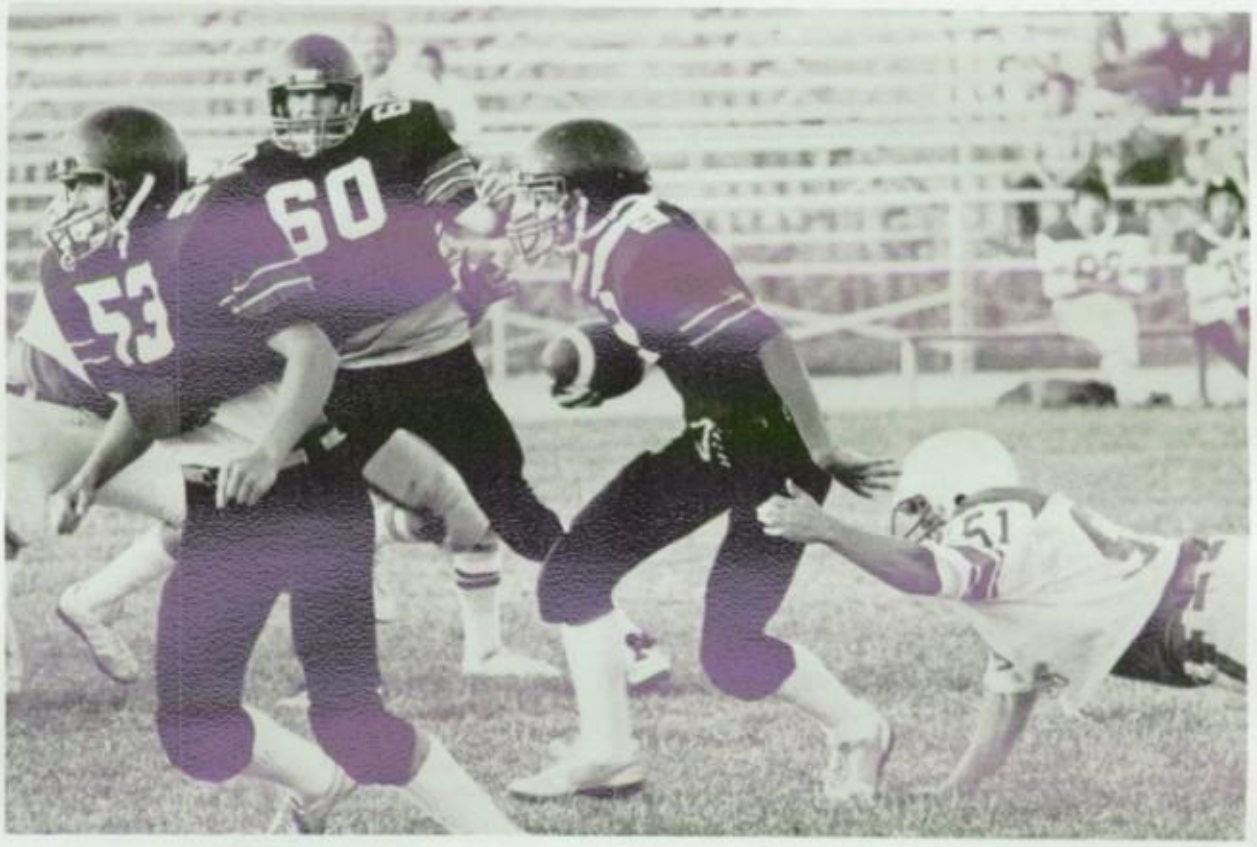
The toughest foe faced by the Wildcat athletic teams was the overall lack of support from the community and the student body. Never before had there been so many empty seats in the stands or such a lack of enthusiasm for what our athletes were accomplishing.

Beginning with the '83 spring sports schedule, Morenci rolled to one conference title after another. Both the boys' and girls' track teams and tennis teams won divisional titles. The boys' track squad won the Arizona championship while the girls lost the title "by a hair." In tennis, both the boys and girls took the Class B-C title.

Baseball kept up the pace by winning the conference before losing in the semifinals at state.

The Lady Cat volleyball team won their second straight conference title before being upset in the first round of the championship playoffs. The football team was undefeated in the conference but lost in the Class B semifinal game.

Winter sports also enjoyed great success. The wrestlers had their best season ever coming in second at the B-C title tournament. Girls' basketball won the conference championship, finally losing in the semifinal round of the state tourney. In boys' basketball, a second-place finish at divisionals qualified them for the playoffs where they lost their first game.



Brushing off a tackle, Mark Gaxiola, #9, runs away from his Safford opponent. Robert Carrasco, 53, and Steve Gojkovich, #60, block for the ball carrier.

A first place finish is achieved by Tomas Borjon in the 800-meter run at the Boosters' Invitational track meet.

An elated group of volleyball players leap off the bench after wrapping up the B-East conference championship.

Down To The Wire

Girls lose quest for title

Running on another cold, rainy, spring day, Stephanie Feinstein finishes first in the J.V. division of the 400 meter dash.

State champion Cathy Quinn heads toward the finish line in the 300 meter hurdles at the Rotary Invitational.

Morenci's bid for its first state championship in girls' track fell short by a mere 1 1/3 points. Coming in second in the last event of the meet, the 1600 meter relay, the Lady Cats failed to pick up the necessary points to edge Benson for the title. "We ran our best time ever," sighed a disappointed Traci Flores, "but it still wasn't quite good enough." Other members of the relay team included Lorraine Gonzales, Cathy Quinn, and Annette Rocha.

Although Martha Denogean took first at state in the long jump by going 15'6 ½", it wasn't her best jump of the year. She had set a new school record of 16'7 ½" in the Morenci Boosters' Invitational.

Liz Peralta won a gold medal in the discus with a throw of 111'3". Cathy Quinn placed first in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 47.86, establishing a state record for the new event. Quinn finished fifth in the 100 meter hurdles and teammate Priscilla Baca was sixth. Baca also placed sixth in the 300 meter hurdles.

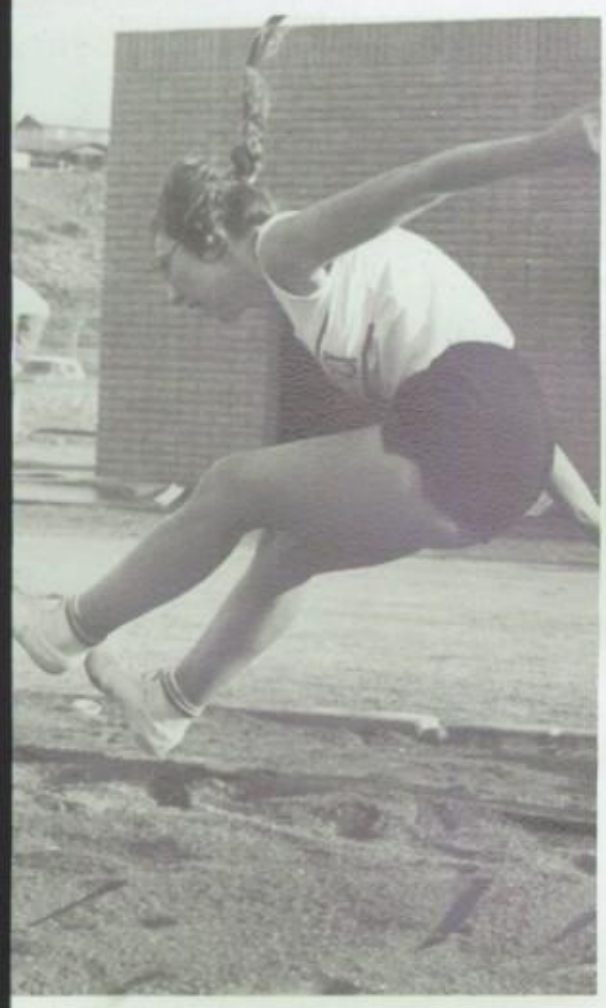
The 400 meter relay of Priscilla Baca, Lisa Malloque, Traci Flores, and Cathy Quinn placed second with a time of 52.36. Donna Saiz set a school record in the 800 meter run at 2:28.16 and finished third at state. Rocha was fifth in the 400 meter dash with a time of 62.3 and Flores placed sixth in the 200 dash at 27.8.

Sophomore Lisa Malloque came in third in the 100 meter dash with a 13.46 clocking, and freshman Becky Peru finished third in the high jump clearing the bar at 4'8".

Anticipating the gun, Melissa Rocha concentrates on getting off to a good start in the first leg of the 400 meter relay at the Boosters' Invitational.

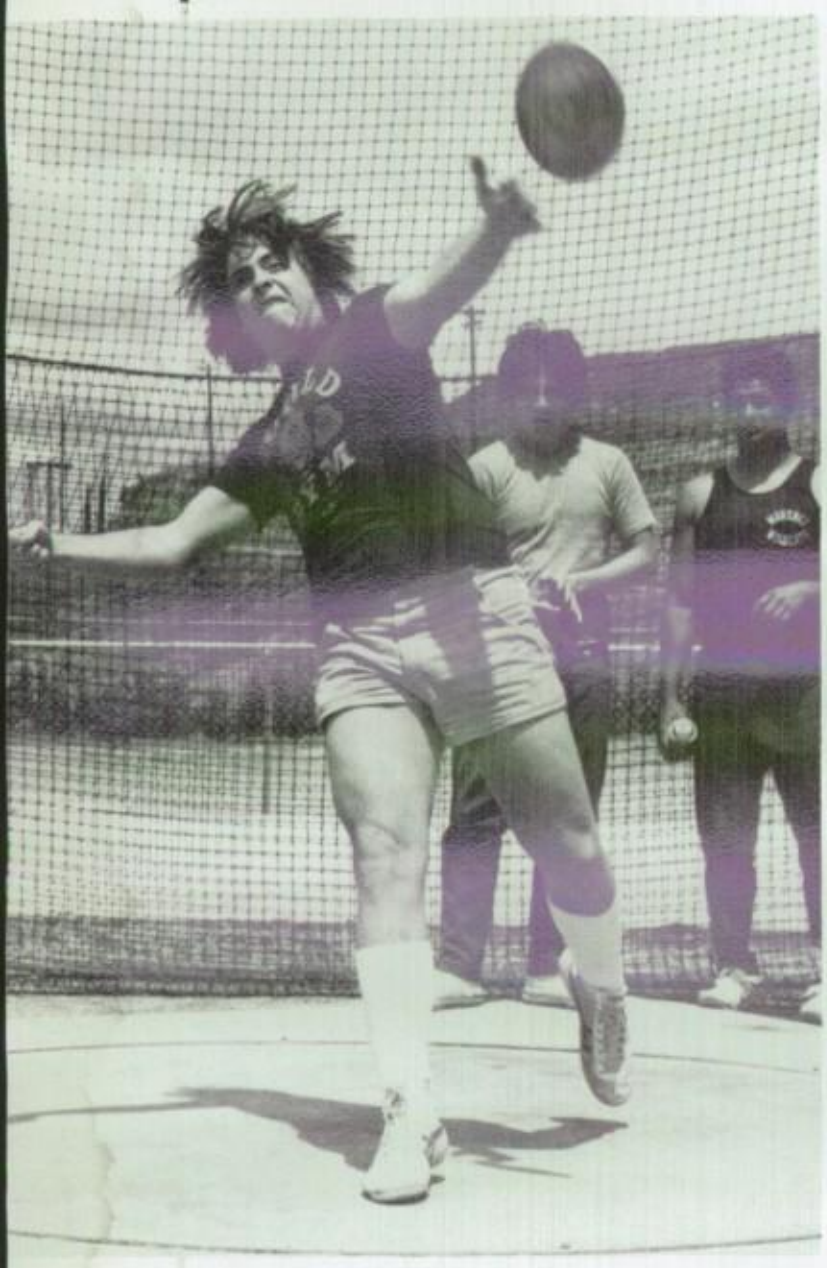
1983 GIRLS' TRACK

MEET	PLACE
Morenci Boosters Invitational	2nd
Morenci Girls' Invitational	1st
Benson Lions Invitational	4th
Willcox Quadrangular	1st
Morenci/Miami Duel	1st
Willcox Invitational	1st
Safford Invitational	2nd
Silver City Invitational	3rd
Morenci/Benson Duel	2nd
Cobre Invitational	2nd
Morenci Rotary Invitational	2nd
B-East Divisionals	1st
Class B State	2nd



1983 GIRLS' TRACK TEAM includes: **FRONT ROW:** Stephanie Feinstein, Diane Baray, Deana Martinez, Shanna Gash, Marnie Lock, Melissa Lopez. **2ND:** Leigh Ann Owen, mgr.; Sheri Durr, Celina Krug, Michelle Batiste, Annette Rocha, Kristi Merino, Carolina Espinoza, Erika Baca, Lorraine Gonzales, Priscilla Baca, Mary Ann Lopez, Leticia Espinoza, Nancy Balderrama, mgr. **3RD:** Debbie Rodela, Lisa Malloque, Melissa Rocha, Marina O'Leary, Cathy Quinn, Martha Denogean, Elisa Barela, Liz Peralta, Michelle Maldonado, Robin Saiz, Donna Saiz, Traci Flores. **Not Pictured:** Becky Peru, Coach Jack Edens.

Senior Martha Denogean sets a new school record of 16'7" in the long jump at the Boosters' Invitational Tournament.



Competing in the field events at the Rotary Invitational, Kenny Bahschnitt grimaces while attempting to win a medal in the discus.

Neck and neck in the 800 meter run, Paul Horn and Tomas Borjon place second and first respectively at the Rotary Invitational.

1983 BOYS' TRACK

MEET	PLACE
Boosters Invitational	2nd
Morenci/Safford Duel	1st
Benson Invitational	4th
Willcox Quadrangular	1st
Safford Invitational	2nd
Safford Quadrangular	2nd
Silver City Invitational	1st
Morenci/Benson Duel	1st
Morenci/Miami Duel	1st
Cobre Invitational	2nd
Morenci Rotary Invitational	1st
B-East Divisionals	1st
Class B State	1st

1983 BOYS' TRACK: FRONT ROW: Jon Keisling, Everett Gordon, Sergio Urcadez, Pau Horn, Hector Salazar, Jimmy Saiz, Tomas Borjon, Pat Parsons, Chris Hicks, Steve Gamblin **2ND:** Kent Crotts, Eddie Chavez, Raymond Moran, Marty Martinez, Geoff Stevens, Martin Gherna, Don Cates, Cory Licano, Chris Scott, Ernie Barquin, Darwin King, Charlie Romero **3RD:** Coach Dave Woodall, Joe Subia, Steve Chavarria, Joey Yarger, Jeff Best, Rudy Andazola, Andy Chaff, Joey Feinstein, Joey Merino, George Balentine, Artie Marin, Coach Lynne Nuttall.

Solid Gold

Cats edge Florence for state title

Gold medal winner, Hector Salazar, is on his way to another first in the 3200 meter run at the duel meet with Safford.

Accepting the Class B state championship trophy are Hector Salazar, Joe Subia, Coach Dave Woodall, Jimmy Saiz, and Don Cates.

Long jumper, Joey Merino, clears 20'1" to take 2nd place at the track meet sponsored by the Boosters' Club.

Down by 12 points going into the final two events at the state track meet, Morenci's hopes of winning its first state championship in boys' track were fading. As Coach Dave Woodall explained: "Things were looking rather bleak for us."

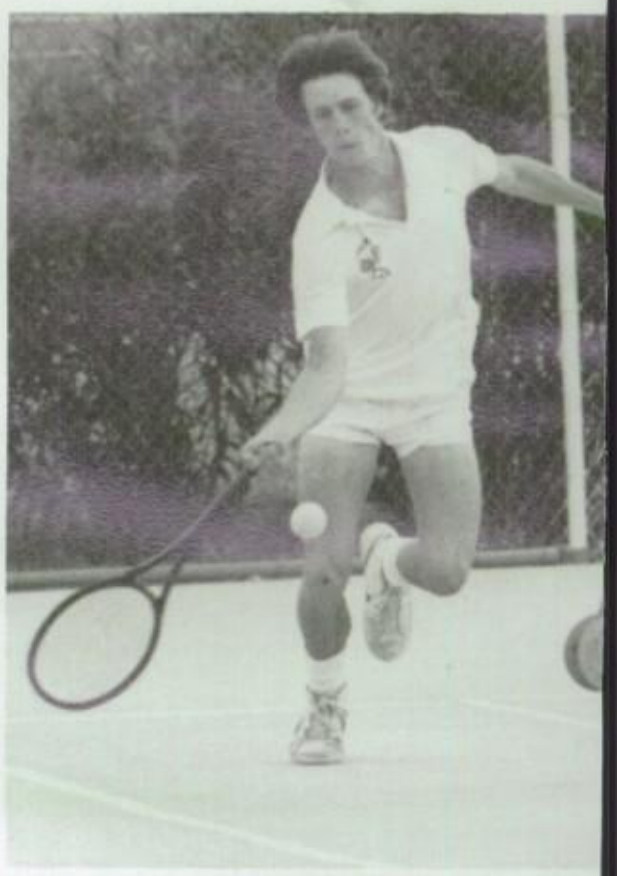
The Cats' championship hopes rested on the shoulders of their long-distance runners — Hector Salazar, Jimmy Saiz, and Joe Subia. Competing in the grueling 3200 meter run, freshman Hector Salazar reminisced: "I was so tired I felt like quitting halfway through the race, but I knew the team needed the points so I just kept on running." Having already won the 1600 earlier in the day, Hector came through with another first. Right behind him was teammate Saiz, giving the Cats a 1-2 finish and enough points to put Morenci ahead going into the 1600 meter relay.

Finishing third with a time of 3.32, the 1600 meter relay team, made up of Joey Feinstein, Marty Martinez, Paul Horn, and Ernie Barquin, put the title out of reach for second place Florence.

Also placing at state were Tomas Borjon who was third in the 1600 meter run and Sergio Urcadez, who was sixth. Joey Merino captured the gold medal in the pole vault with a height of 12'9". He also picked up points for the Cats by placing third in the 110 meter high hurdles.

Marty Martinez took second in the 300 intermediate hurdles with a time of 40.72, setting a new school record. Don Cates finished fourth in the shot put, Tomas Borjon took fourth in the 800 meter run, and Paul Horn placed sixth. Feinstein was fifth in the 400 meter run. Altogether, the Wildcats accumulated 78½ points.

In a match against Safford, senior John Lee scoops up a low forehand shot.



1983 BOYS' TENNIS: FRONT ROW: Brian Causer, James Petty, Charlie Boling, Justin Flowers, Stephen Biles, Tom Stinson. **2ND:** Ernesto Llamas, Keven Sterling, Clay Flowers, Benjie Aguilar, Xavier Denogean, Ricky Perkins, John Lee. **Not Pictured:** Coach Larry Roche.

1983 GIRLS' TENNIS

MHS	9	Safford	0
MHS	7	Thatcher	2
MHS	9	Duncan	0
MHS	8	Thatcher	1
MHS	9	Willcox	0
MHS	9	Cobre	0
MHS	8	Safford	1
MHS	8	Duncan	1

WON-8 LOST-0

Willcox Tournament	1st
Cobre Tournament	2nd
Class B-C District Tournament	1st
Class B-C State Tournament	1st

1983 BOYS' TENNIS

MHS	5	Safford	4
MHS	6	Duncan	3
MHS	7	Willcox	0
MHS	2	**Cobre**	7
MHS	4	Safford	3
MHS	7	Duncan	2

WON-5 LOST-1

Class B-C District Tournament	1st
Class B-C State Tournament	1st

Junior Angie Espinoza strokes a low return in her easy 10-0 victory over the player from Thatcher.

A Smashing Season

Tennis teams win state titles

Both the girls' and boys' tennis teams climaxed successful seasons by winning the B-C regional championship and tieing for the Class B-C state title.

Senior Keven Sterling won Morenci's first tennis singles' title in 46 years. Following two easy straight set wins over Superior's Arthur Jimenez and Williams' Jerry Pritchard, Keven found his opponent in the championship match a tougher foe. After losing the first set to Greg McBride of Bagdad, Keven was down 3-1 in the second. Pulling himself together, Keven came back for a 6-3 win followed by another 6-3 victory in the final set. "I was making too many errors in the beginning," explained an elated Keven. "I just tried to settle down and let him make the mistakes. The longer the match went, the more nervous he got."

Also representing the Cats at state were regional doubles champs John Lee and Benjie Aguilar. Unfortunately for the local duo, they lost in the first round to a pair from Bagdad. "We came; we saw; we choked!" said an embarrassed John Lee upon returning to Morenci.

Sterling's victory was enough to give Morenci a share of the state title with Kearny Ray and Bagdad.

The girls' team was undefeated in match play with a 6-0 record. In the girls' doubles division, Donna Chavez and Cristina Romero were regional champs, while teammates Liz Abril and Rhonda Duran placed third. Brenda Carabeo took second in singles competition.

Beating their own top-seeded teammates in the second round of play at state, Abril and Duran advanced to the finals against the pair from Tombstone. "We really wanted to beat Donna and Cristina so we would have another shot at the girls from Tombstone," explained Liz. "We had lost to them at divisionals in a tie breaker." The competition prevailed once again, however, beating the local duo 6-7, 3-6.

Following the disappointing loss to their teammates, Chavez and Romero fell in the consolation finals, 6-7, 7-6, 6-3, to girls from Florence. "It was really hard for Donna and I to get up for the match after the previous day's loss," sighed Cristina.

In girls' singles competition, Brenda Carabeo lost her first match to an opponent from Florence.

The girls' team ended up in a tie for the state championship with Tombstone and Thatcher as each team scored seven points.

Proudly displaying the Class B-C state championship trophy are Benjie Aguilar, Keven Sterling, and John Lee.

Leaping into the air, Cristina Romero returns a high shot by her Safford opponent.

1983 GIRLS' TENNIS: FRONT ROW: Kathy Causer, Darlene Lizarraga, Lorraine Moya, Kelly Miles, Callie Maldonado, Irma Paz. **2ND:** Frances Peru, mgr.; Frances Borjon, Kelly Baker, Angie Espinoza, Liz Abril, Donna Chavez, Francie Rodriguez. **3RD:** Sandra Sierra, Christina Parsons, Cristina Romero, Brenda Carabeo, Rhonda Duran, Coach Noralea Gale.

Wildcat teammates mob freshman Daniel Lopez following his extra-inning single which scored two RBI's in the Cat's 6-5 conference victory over Thatcher.

Hustling down the first base line in the game against Tombstone, catcher Fred Sanders backs up the throw to first.

1983 J.V. BASEBALL TEAM includes: **FRONT ROW:** Mike Denogean, mgr.; Orlando Abril, Jody Rodriguez, Jaime Palomino, Fred Burt, Greg Aguilar, Duane Sanders, Damian Tellez, mgr. **2ND:** Coach Tommy Navarrete, John Loya, David Williams, Steve Gojkovich, Adam Barela, Michael Moreno, Clint Barry, Marc Ruedas, Ignacio Blanco.

Going for a strikeout in the J.V.'s 14-2 victory over the Duncan Wildcats, David Williams prepares to throw a fast ball.

Hitting It Big

Lopez wins one for the varsity

It isn't often that a freshman gets to be the hero in a varsity game, but Daniel Lopez did just that in the Wildcats' 6-5 conference victory over the Thatcher Eagles. Lopez was pitching a no-hitter for the J.V.'s when he received word to report to the varsity. When asked why he sent for Lopez, Coach Bruce Kinneberg responded: "I had a feeling the time would come when I would need him as a pinch hitter."

Batting twice, Lopez struck out the first time. Then, with the game in extra innings and the Cats down by one run, Daniel hit a single off senior John Alva and scored the winning runs. "I was mobbed by my teammates when I got to first base," recalled Lopez. "Needless to say, we kept Daniel on the varsity after that game," laughed Kinneberg.

Morenci's 12-1 conference record gave the Cats the championship their first year in B-East and earned them a berth in the state tournament as well. Against Kearny Ray in the opening round, the local squad had an easy time winning 10-1. Facing Bradshaw Mountain in the semi-finals, however, "... the world came crashing down around us," sighed Kinneberg. "In the first inning Armando Tellez struck out for the first time all year. I knew then we were in trouble!" Gabriel Garcia added: "We were looking past Bradshaw Mountain towards meeting Hayden in the finals. Everyone on the team really wanted another shot at the Lobos."

In referring to the J.V. Cat's 9-8 extra-inning loss to the Class AA Douglas Bulldogs, Coach Tommy Navarrete stated: "It's the best game we've ever played against Douglas. Usually they beat us in five innings." Morenci had tied the score in the seventh inning but the Bulldogs came up with one run in the ninth to win the game.

The Cats were at the receiving end of a 12-2 loss to Willcox the first time the two teams met. "We couldn't handle their pitcher's knuckle ball," said Ignacio Blanco in explaining the lopsided loss. The second time around, however, the Wildcats tallied 13 hits off the same pitcher and whipped the Cowboys by a convincing 17-0 score.

1983 VARSITY BASEBALL

MHS	1	**Safford**	4
MHS	5	Cobre	1
MHS	6	**Thatcher**	13
MHS	9	Tombstone	0
MHS	3	**Douglas**	6
MHS	5	Duncan	1
MHS	3	Clifton	2
MHS	14	Willcox	5
MHS	6	Benson	5
MHS	9	Benson	3
MHS	6	Thatcher	5
MHS	12	Duncan	2
MHS	1	**Hayden**	5
MHS	11	Miami	1
MHS	15	Duncan	5
MHS	9	Willcox	1
MHS	13	Tombstone	4
MHS	9	Willcox	1
MHS	4	Clifton	3
MHS	10	Ray	1
MHS	3	**Bradshaw Mt.**	4
WON-16		LOST-5	

1983 J.V. BASEBALL

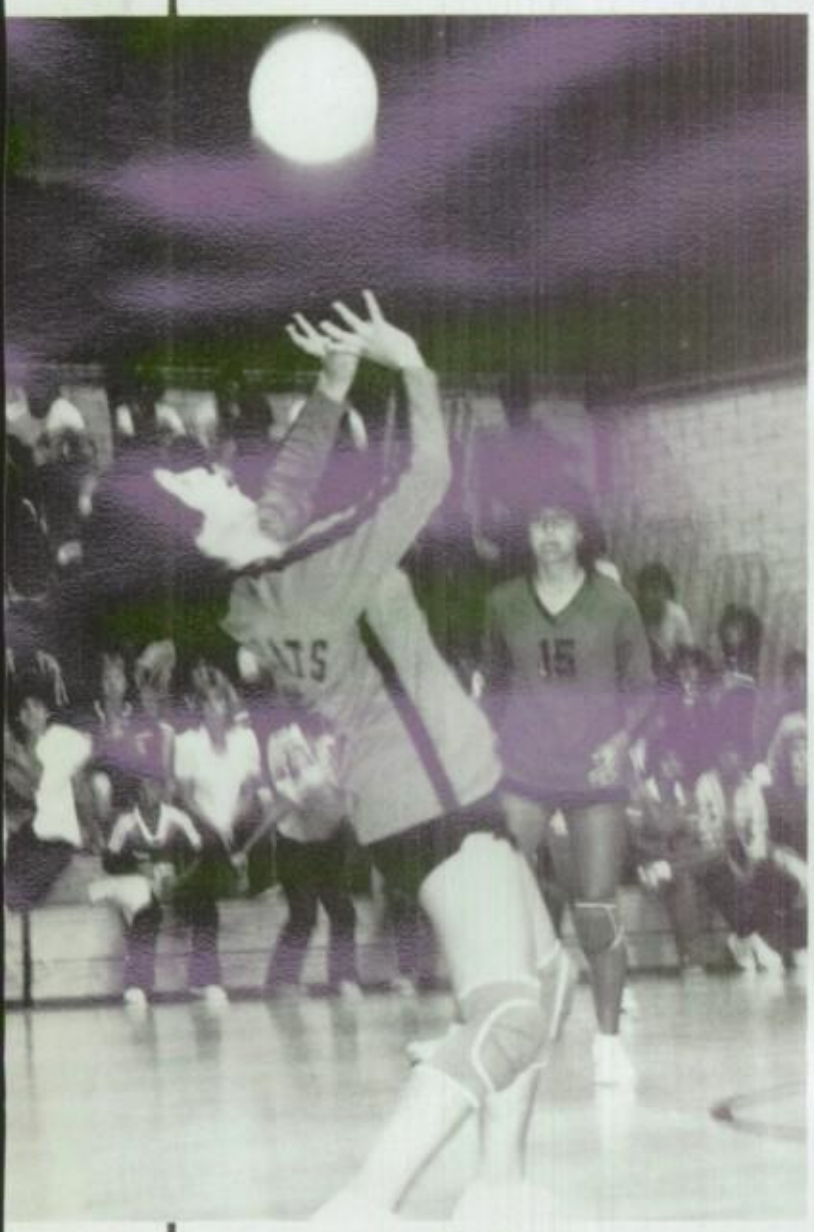
MHS	4	Safford	0
MHS	5	**Cobre**	13
MHS	0	**Cobre**	7
MHS	8	Thatcher	1
MHS	6	Clifton	0
MHS	8	**Douglas**	9
MHS	14	Duncan	2
MHS	2	**Willcox**	12
MHS	13	Clifton	8
MHS	8	Thatcher	4
MHS	7	Duncan	5
MHS	17	Willcox	0
MHS	11	Benson	5
MHS	2	**Benson**	11
WON-9		LOST-5	

1983 VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM includes: **FRONT ROW:** Jason Nuttall, bat boy. **2ND:** Armando Tellez, David Rodriguez, Leonard Morales, George Connell, Manuel Morales, Louis Lopez. **3RD:** Todd Hammett, mgr.; Anthony James, Kevin Clemmer, Daniel Lopez, Gilbert Valenzuela, Tommy James, Dale Garner, Paul Dunagan, mgr. **4TH:** Gabriel Garcia, Michael Navarrete, Tony Castaneda, Fred Sanders, Mick Ruiz, Coach Bruce Kinneberg. **Not Pictured:** Steve Mendoza.

Third baseman Steve Mendoza slides into third after hitting a triple in Morenci's 9-1 conference victory over Willcox.

Two In A Row

Volleyball team repeats as B-East champs



With her back to the net, Anna Navarrete concentrates on her set while Becky Peru, 15, watches the action.

Winning all their regular season matches, the Lady Cats captured their second straight B-East conference championship.

The only thing marring an otherwise perfect season was the loss to Joseph City in the first round of the state tournament. "Going undefeated for the first time in history was great," commented Coach Noralea Gale, "but the ending upset was a nightmare."

Four exciting matches with Clifton highlighted the schedule. All but one match went three games with the Cats often coming from behind to win the set. Down 10-0 in the opening game the first time the two teams met, the girls stopped Clifton cold and won 15-10. "We couldn't get it together at first," commented Veronica Flores, "but when we did, we had 15 unanswered points."

Returning from their match in Willcox on Saturday, October 1, the three volleyball teams were unable to get back to Morenci because of the flood in Clifton. The girls ended up spending two days and nights at the York Valley home of athletic director Tom Powers and his family. "It was like a big slumber party the first night," recalled team statistician Stephanie Harper, "but the second night everyone was tired and grouchy and just wanted to sleep."

With 44 people in the house, including some stranded parents of players, sleeping facilities were rather limited. "Neighbors brought all the extra blankets and pillows they had and we just camped out all over the house," laughed senior Carolina Espinoza.

Cooking for so many people was quite an experience, too. After fixing pancakes for everyone the second morning, Coach Gale remarked: "It reminded me of my youth when I used to cook for roundups on our ranch in Klondyke."

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Duncan	4-15, 15-2, 15-6
Willcox	15-7,5-15,15-7
Lordsburg	15-5, 15-3
* Thatcher	15-10, 15-12
* Benson	15-6, 9-15, 15-10
* Clifton	15-10, 6-15, 15-3
* Willcox	15-4, 15-9
* Tombstone	3-15, 15-9, 15-13
* Duncan	13-15, 15-8, 15-8
Lordsburg	15-1, 15-7
Clifton	15-4, 11-15, 16-14
Clifton	15-8, 15-9
** Tombstone	15-11, 16-14
** Clifton	8-15, 15-4, 15-11
*** Joseph City	15-8, 8-15, 8-15

WON-14 LOST-1

*Conference Match
**Divisionals
***State Tournament

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL includes: **FRONT ROW:** Liz Peralta, Angie Espinoza. **2ND:** Tammy Esparza, linesman; Coach Noralea Gale, Carolina Espinoza, Veronica Flores, Becky Peru, Callie Maldonado, Stephanie Harper, mgr. **3RD:** Amira Maza, mgr.; Elisa Borjon, Donna Saiz, Anna Navarrete, Liz Abril, Claudia Valenzuela, Deana Martinez, linesman.

Stranded at the Powers house during the October flood, volleyball players Anna Navarrete and Callie Maldonado entertain themselves by dancing to some country western music.

Ecstatic after their comeback victory over Clifton, the girls leap for joy.

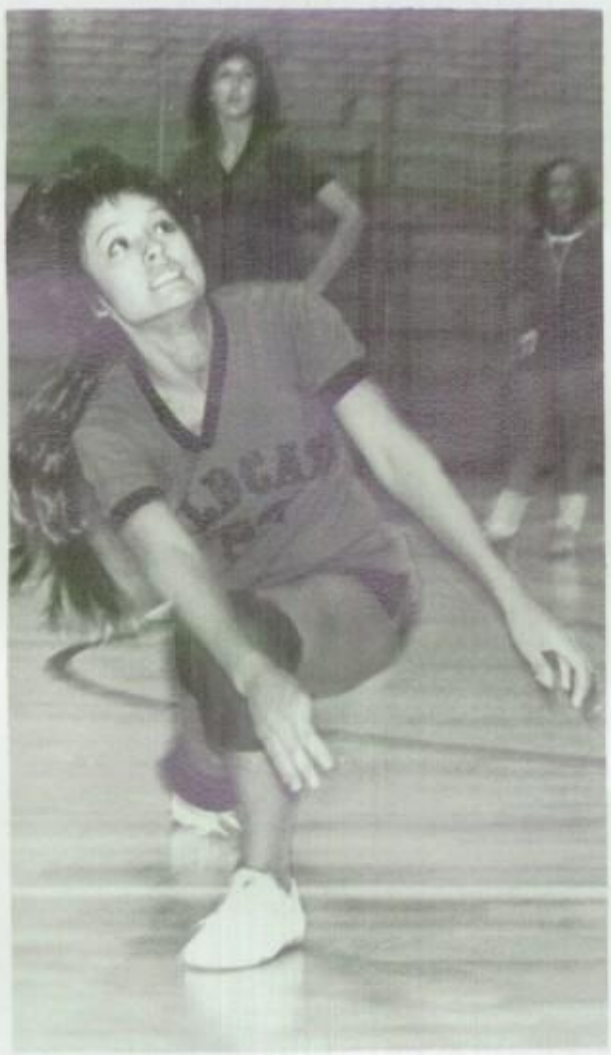
Bumping the ball over the net is Barbie Martinez, #9. Liz Peralta serves as her backup in the Cats' first match with the Clifton Trojans.

Gang tackling a Thatcher Eagle in the J.V.'s 38-0 win are #24, Raul Dayao; #89, Jamie Palomino; #50, Clint Burke; and #10, Steve Wene.

Diving for the ball, Marina O'Leary makes the save in the J.V.'s victory over the Willcox Cowgirls.

Second Hand Heroes

Frosh and J.V.'s achieve success



Competing in the varsity's rejects didn't stop the freshmen and J.V.'s as all three teams coasted to impressive seasons.

For the J.V. football team, their closing game against Safford was the highlight of the year as the Cats avenged an earlier 12-0 defeat. "We weren't ready for them the first time," commented sophomore Johnny Loya. "When we played them again at the end of the season, we felt like we just had to win!"

Down 7-0 in the fourth quarter, the Wildcats scored on a 20-yard run by Orlando Abril. Then on the extra point attempt, kicker Daniel Lopez faked the punt and ran it in for two points giving Morenci an 8-7 win. It was the first victory for the local squad over a Safford J.V. football team since 1972.

The J.V. volleyball team was undefeated with an 11-0 record. Accord ing to Annette Rocha, " . . . Benso was by far our best game. It was exci ing, everyone played, and we a worked together!"

Losing the first game 5-15, the gir won the second, 15-7. The third an decisive game was a see-saw battl with Shelly Ruedas serving an ace fo the winning point.

The two losses for the freshma volleyball squad came against riva Clifton and Safford. After losing th second half of a doubleheader wit the Bulldogs, a dejected Libby Cha vez sighed, " . . . we completely los our cool. Our serves were weak an everyone just gave up."

Named MVP's for the squads wer Orlando Abril and Steve Gojkovich J.V. football; Carol Mena, J.V. volley ball; and Anne Dingman; freshma volleyball.

J.V. FOOTBALL TEAM: FRONT ROW: Ricardo Valdez, Chris Saiz, Raul Dayao, Richard Ruedas, Orlando Abril, Mark Gaxiola, Joe Lopez. **2ND:** Steve Chavarria, Clint Moreno, Anthony Murillo, Ben Saiz, Benny Rollins, Mark Correlejo, Steve Gojkovich, Gary Tucker. **3RD:** Mike Alley, Steve Brannon, Ben Mapes, Steve Wene, Jay Petty, Jon Day. **4TH:** Tim Tucker, Rudy Andazola, Clint Burke, Maurice Sandoval, Kent Crotts, Victor Urquidi, Justin Flowers. **5TH:** Artie Marin, Robert Carrasco, Dale Patterson, Jaime Palomino, Chad Bates, Manny Vasquez. **6TH:** James Cooper, manager; Johnny Loya, Daniel Lopez, Eddie Imrich, manager; Coach Gary Walton. **Not Pictured:** Larry Peru, Scott Graham.

J.V. VOLLEYBALL TEAM: FRONT ROW: Coach Virgil Cork, Marlo Garcia, Martha Gonzales, Shelly Ruedas, Debbie Rodela, Kristi Merino, Annette Rocha. **2ND:** Melissa Rocha, Carol Mena, Marina O'Leary, Erma Villagomez, Stephanie Feinstein, Christina Dingman.

FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL TEAM: Coach Noralea Gale, Monica Lopez, Tracy Ruedas, Kellie Rhodes, Lisa Cueto, Shelly Bryant, Kathy Verdugo, Kristina Richardson, Teresa Dayao, Libby Chavez, Monica Jimenez, Mona Sanders. **Not Pictured:** Anne Dingman.

J.V. FOOTBALL

MHS	32	Superior	6
MHS	0	**Safford**	12
MHS	38	Thatcher	0
MHS	9	Benson	0
MHS	13	Duncan	0
MHS	8	Duncan	0
MHS	1	Douglas	0
MHS	27	Willcox	6
MHS	8	Safford	7

WON-8 LOST-1

J.V. VOLLEYBALL

Duncan	15-4, 15-1
Willcox	15-2, 15-11
Lordsburg	15-3, 15-11
Thatcher	15-9, 15-3
Benson	5-15, 15-7, 16-14
Clifton	15-4, 15-13
Willcox	15-6, 13-15, 15-2
Tombstone	15-3, 15-3
Safford	8-15, 15-13, 16-14
Duncan	15-12, 15-7
Lordsburg	15-4, 15-1

WON-11 LOST-0

FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL

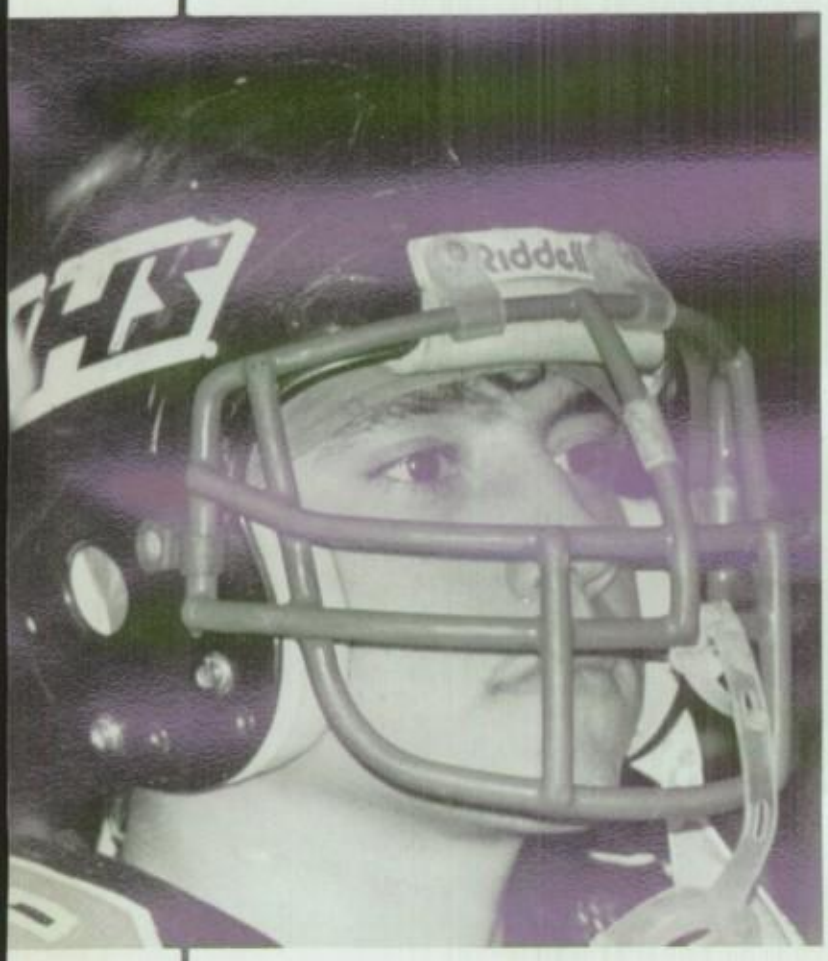
Duncan	15-11, 15-13
Willcox	15-2, 15-10
Thatcher	15-11, 15-4
Clifton	9-15, 2-15
Clifton	15-8, 1-15, 15-9
Clifton	6-15, 15-12, 15-8
Willcox	13-15, 15-6, 15-3
Safford	15-12, 7-15, 18-16
Safford	11-15, 7-15
Duncan	15-1, 15-13

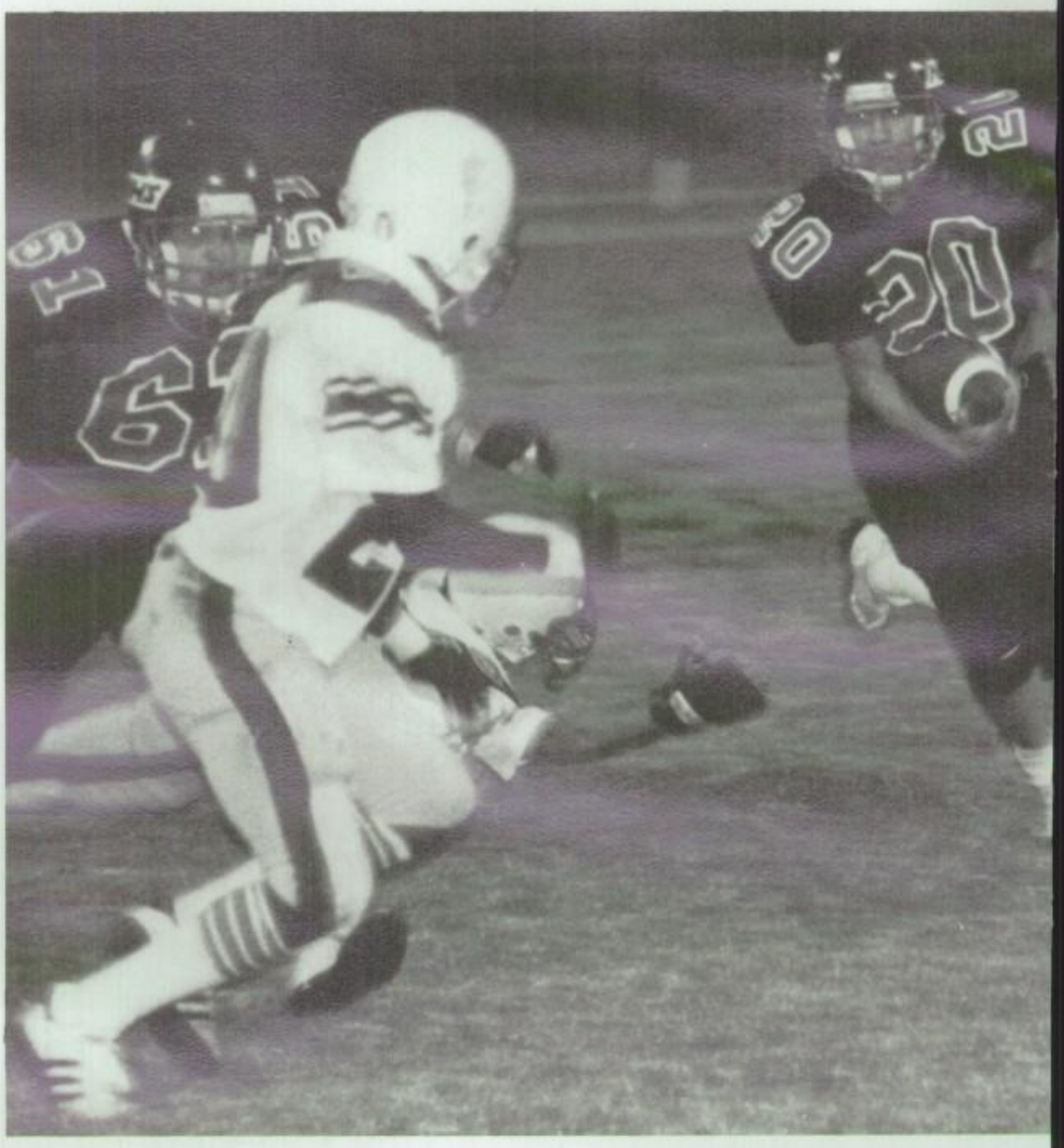
WON-8 LOST-2

Bumping the ball to the setter is #22, Teresa Dayao. Shelly Bryant, # 15, watches the action in the match against Safford.

Halfback Cory Licano, #20, picks up yardage on a quick-pitch play as tackle Brent Roman, #61, leads the block in the 34-21 loss to Safford.

Watching the game from the sidelines as Morenci builds a convincing 44-6 lead over Tombstone is right-outside linebacker Leonard Morales.





VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM: FRONT ROW: Steve Gamblin, Johnny Velasquez, Sergio Urcadez, Richard Martinez, Leonard Morales, Joe Ortiz. **2ND:** Dale Garner, Chris Scott, David Williams, Duane Sanders, Mike Denogean, Eddie Chavez. **3RD:** Gabriel Garcia, Tomas Borjon, Cory Licano, Steve Mendoza, Joey Yarger, Damian Tellez. **4TH:** Tony Tedla, Fred Campbell, George Balentine, Ernie Barquin, Gilbert Valenzuela, Mark Ruedas. **5TH:** Everett Gordon, Brent Roman, Brian Vallejo, Johnny Merino, Fred Sanders, Anthony James. **6TH:** Reed Goodwin, statistician; Kenneth Bahscnitt, Vincent Chavez, Frank Maldonado, Andy Chaff, Martin Gherna, manager. **7TH:** Assistant Coach Joe Hernandez, Assistant Coach Bruce Kinneberg, Head Coach Jack Edens, Greg Aguilar, manager. **Not Pictured:** Jimmy Saiz, manager.

Forgotten Success

Cats capture conference title

Experience was a big factor as a senior dominated team won the B-East conference championship. "After enduring losing seasons the past two years, we had a great time this year," remarked Tony Tedla. "We had more of a team effort rather than individual performances."

New head coach Jack Edens was named coach-of-the-year by both the *Eastern Arizona Courier* and the B-East conference for his efforts in leading the team to a 9-2 record.

The Cats experienced much success as their only regular season loss came at the hands of Class A Safford. Leading 21-7 at the half, Morenci suffered a second-half collaspe that resulted in a Bulldog victory.

Undefeated in the conference, Willcox proved to be the only B-East opponent capable of giving the Cats any competition. Even so, Morenci won handily, 24-10, in the championship showdown.

With the win over the Cowboys, Morenci hosted the #2 seed from the West, Williams, in the first round of the state tournament. A strong defense held the Vikings to only 28 yards rushing and 81 yards passing. En route to a 38-0 romp, the Cats picked up 294 yards, 246 of those on the ground.

Heading into the semi-finals against Blue Ridge, Morenci hoped for an upset against the #1 ranked Yellowjackets. Such was not the case, however, as the Cats never got any offense rolling and were shut out 22-0. "We thought we were ready, but we weren't," said a disappointed Richard Martinez. "They came out and whipped us."

Running the chains in a Saturday morning J.V. game is senior lineman Chris Scott.

VARSITY FOOTBALL

MHS	42	Superior	6
MHS	21	**Safford**	34
MHS	31	* Thatcher	6
MHS	48	* Benson	6
MHS	1	* Clifton	0
MHS	44	* Tombstone	6
MHS	34	* Duncan	0
MHS	24	* Willcox	10
MHS	27	Cobre	2
MHS	38	** Williams	0
MHS	0	** **Blue Ridge**	22

WON-9 LOST-2

*Conference
**State Playoffs

On a sweep play #33, Fred Sanders, blocks for running back Dale Garner, #10, in the Cats semi-final loss at state.

A Welcome Surprise

Lady Cats roll to conference title

GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

MHS	39	Safford	28
MHS	47	* Clifton	44
MHS	37	* **Benson**	47
MHS	35	**Safford**	55
MHS	42	* Thatcher	39
MHS	41	** Willcox	28
MHS	40	** Pima	39
MHS	24	** **Safford**	36
MHS	44	* Tombstone	36
MHS	44	* Willcox	16
MHS	73	Douglas	64
MHS	47	* Willcox	28
MHS	44	* Duncan	40
MHS	49	* Thatcher	41
MHS	45	* Duncan	21
MHS	48	Silver City	44
MHS	47	* Benson	40
MHS	44	* Clifton	26
MHS	58	* Tombstone	37
MHS	46	*** Clifton	44
MHS	37	*** **Benson**	39
MHS	40	**** Ajo	26
MHS	39	**** **Blue Ridge**	53

WON-18 LOST-5

*Conference Game
**EAC Christmas Tournament
***Divisional Tournament
****State Tournament

After losing four of their five starters from last year's squad, no one really expected the young, inexperienced '83-84 team to dominate the conference. But dominate they did, winning the B-East title by a two-game margin over Benson.

The Lady Cats only regular season conference loss was to the Benson Bobcats by a score of 37-47 the first time the two teams met. In the return bout at home, the local squad came out on top by seven points.

Benson gained some revenge in the finals of the district tournament by downing the Cats, 39-37. The victory by the Bobcats gave them the #1 seed at state whereas the Lady Cats went as the #2 seed from B-East.

In the first round of the state tournament, Morenci met the Ajo Red Raiders. Double teaming Ajo's 6'4" Tammy Leikem, the Cats kept the ball out of the middle and forced Ajo to shoot from the outside.

Playing against a team with such a tall player was a new experience for the girls, and " . . . we were a little nervous," admitted sophomore Becky Peru. "We put a lot of pressure on their big girl all night," added Erma Villagomez. "Somebody always played both in front and in back of her which effectively kept Tammy from going to the inside."

With the 40-26 win over Ajo, Morenci then faced Blue Ridge in the semifinals. Ahead by ten points only two minutes into the second quarter, Morenci center Becky Peru was sidelined with a twisted ankle. By halftime, Blue Ridge had pulled to within one point and went on to win 53-39. "In addition to missing her scoring," remarked Coach David Woodall, "having Becky out hampered our ability to control the inside. Still, it was a highly successful season and I was extremely pleased with the play of the girls at state. We started three sophomores and they played with a lot of poise."

Driving toward the basket, #10, Liz Peralta, manuevers her way around her Benson opponent. The girls' 47-40 victory gave Morenci sole possession of first place in B-East.

Leading the fast break against Willcox is #14, Kristi Merino. The Lady Cats defeated the Cowgirls, 44-16.

GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL: FRONT ROW: Erma Villagomez, Kristi Merino, Liz Peralta, Melissa Rocha, Beatrice Denogean. **2ND:** Debbie Spencer, Shanna Gash, Becky Peru, Caroline Espinoza, Christina Dingman, Coach Dave Woodall.

After grabbing the rebound, Becky Peru #15, takes the ball downcourt while teammate Erma Villagomez fills the lane. The Lady Cats seven-point victory over Benson avenged an earlier defeat.

Going for two, Carolina Espinoza, #5, shoots over her Safford opponent.

BOYS' J.V. BASKETBALL

MHS	58	Safford	38
MHS	74	Douglas	59
MHS	76	Safford	43
MHS	64	Thatcher	40
MHS	59	Tombstone	34
MHS	63	Duncan	55
MHS	72	Willcox	25
MHS	95	Clifton	44
MHS	56	Thatcher	48
MHS	68	Benson	45
MHS	77	Duncan	54
MHS	78	Clifton	**63**
MHS	88	Willcox	42

WON-13 LOST-0

BOYS' FROSH BASKETBALL

MHS	46	**Safford**	61
MHS	43	**Douglas**	44
MHS	47	**Safford**	56
MHS	53	**Thatcher**	57
MHS	74	**Lordsburg**	84
MHS	62	Duncan	45
MHS	52	**Lordsburg**	60
MHS	47	**Thatcher**	52
MHS	57	Duncan	54
MHS	70	Willcox	46

WON-3 LOST-7

GIRLS' J.V. BASKETBALL

MHS	21	**Safford**	45
MHS	25	**Benson**	51
MHS	22	**Safford**	31
MHS	20	**Thatcher**	40
MHS	34	Willcox	23
MHS	31	**Douglas**	48
MHS	30	**Willcox**	33
MHS	41	Duncan	27
MHS	38	Thatcher	35
MHS	35	Duncan	23
MHS	26	**Silver City**	42
MHS	34	**Tombstone**	43

WON-4 LOST-8

Pursued by a Safford player, freshman Teresa Dayao drives down the court in the J.V. girls' 21-45 loss to the Bulldogs.

BOYS' J.V. BASKETBALL includes: **FRONT ROW:** Ricardo Valdez, Orlando Abril, Jody Rodriguez. **2ND:** Coach Gary Walton, Ben Mapes, Hector Salazar, Mike Denogean, Steve Gojkovich, Michael Moreno, Daniel Lopez, Johnny Loya, Jerry Luna, Tom Stinson, mgr.

GIRLS' J.V. BASKETBALL includes: **FRONT ROW:** Debbie Rodela, Shelly Ruedas, Monica Jimenez, Teresa Dayao, Tracy Ruedas, Deana Martinez. **2ND:** Coach Virgil Cork, Marina O'Leary, Stephanie Feinstein, Mona Sanders, Sherri Durr, Libby Chavez, Anne Dingman.

Hard Work Pays Off

J.V. boys compile perfect record

Hard work paid off for the J.V. boys' basketball team as they compiled a perfect 13-0 record. "It's the first undefeated team I've ever been associated with," admitted Michael Moreno, "and it feels great!"

The players attributed their success to hard work and determination. "All those hard practices we had paid off in the end," stated Jerry Luna.

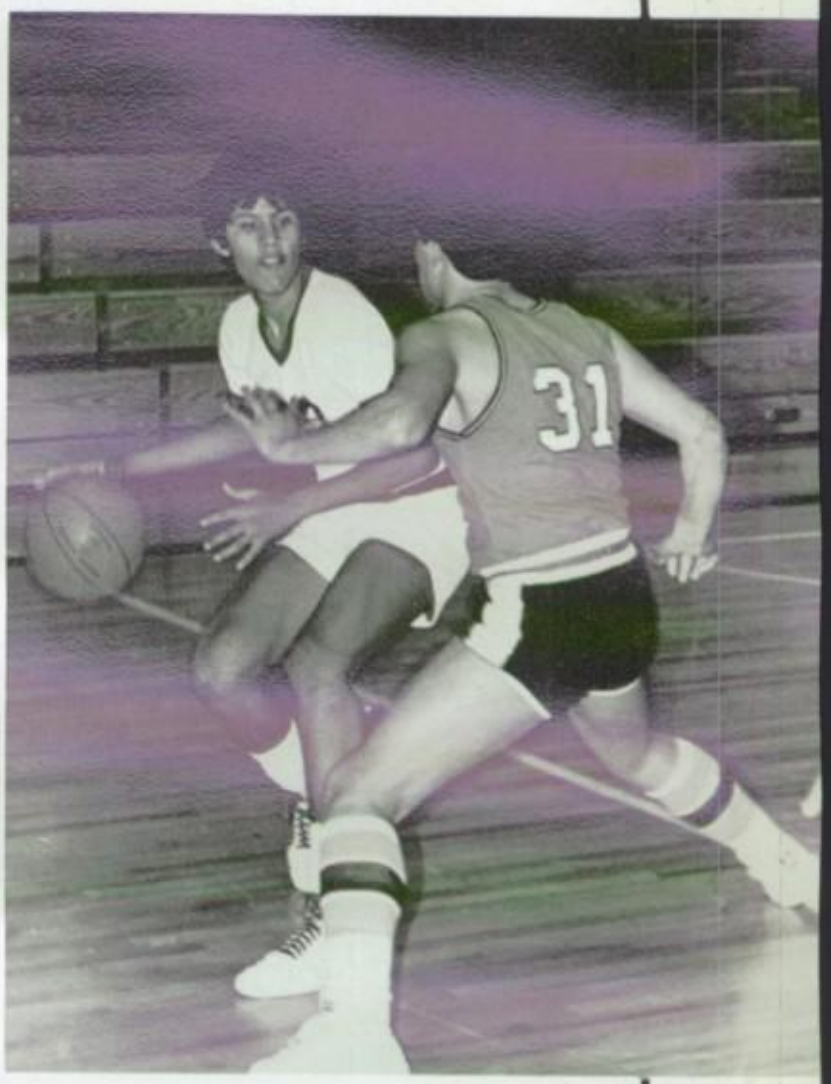
Coach Gary Walton felt the team exhibited confidence from the very beginning of the season. "They were even positive in their opening game against Safford," he remarked. "I think the poise they gained by beating Safford in football carried over into basketball."

Coach Walton also considered the team a somewhat unusual group to coach. "Unlike most teams I've been associated with," he stated, "the poser this group got, the better they practiced and played."

With only nine players on the squad, all the freshman boys got a lot of playing experience. "They were all pretty equal," commented Coach Bruce Kinneberg when asked about his team's ability. "Although we had a losing record, it was a learning experience that hopefully everyone gained from."

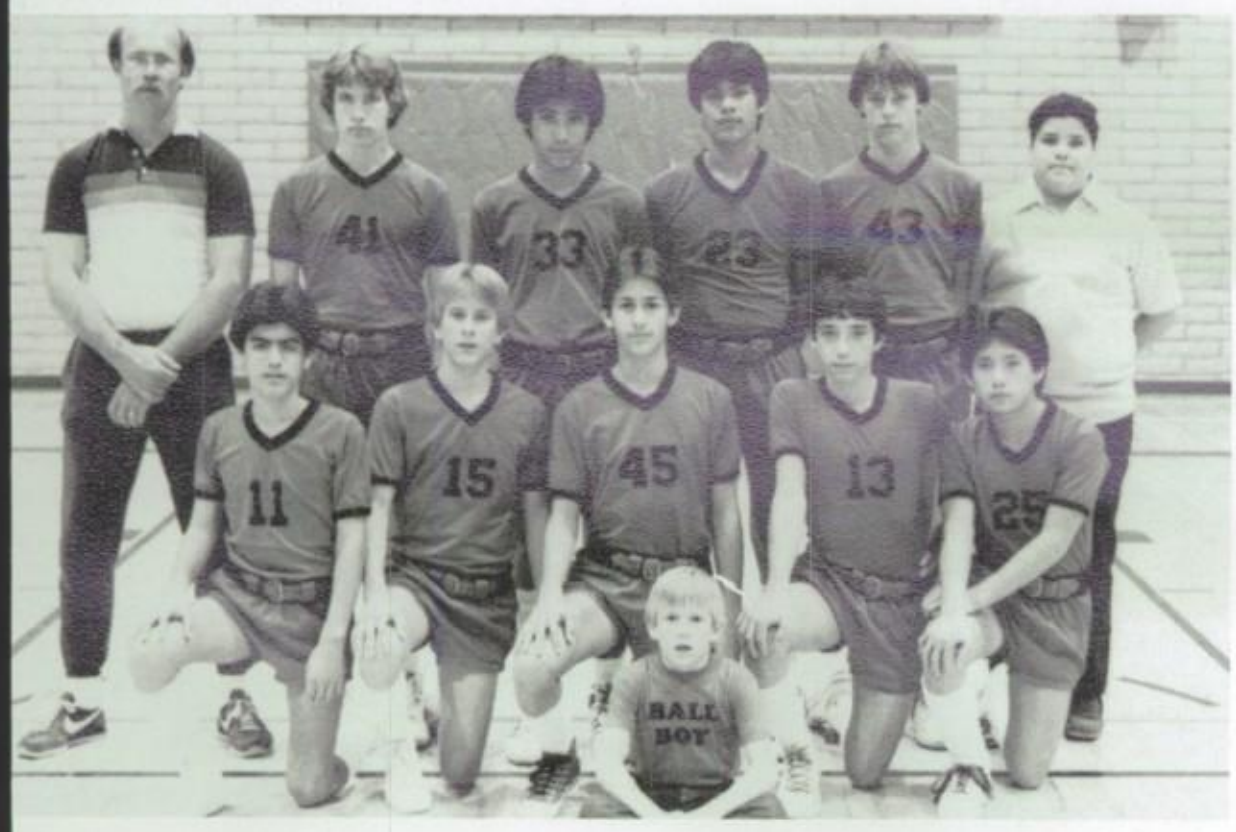
Although the J.V. girls did not live up to Coach Virgil Cork's expectations with a 4-8 record, he was extremely pleased with the progress the girls made during the season. "They were a better team than the record indicates," he emphasized. "Our squad was composed of nine freshmen and only two sophomores, whereas we played against mostly sophomores and juniors."

Named MVP's for the squads were: Hector Salazar, J.V. boys; Manny Vasquez, freshmen; and Mona Sanders, J.V. girls.



Looking for an open man under the basket, Manny Vasquez prepares to pass the ball to a teammate. The freshman lost to Lordsburg, 52-60.

High in the sky, Hector Salazar scores two points in the J.V.'s 95-44 slaughter of Clifton.



OYS' FROSH BASKETBALL includes: **FRONT ROW:** Jason Nuttall, Ball Boy. **2ND:** Brian lontoya, Richard Ruedas, Clint Moreno, Ben Saiz, Raul Dayao. **3RD:** Coach Bruce Kinneberg, teve Wene, Anthony Murillo, Manny Vasquez, Jay Petty, James Moreno, mgr.

Back On Track

Varsity earns berth at state

BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

MHS	52		**Stafford**	90
MHS	68		**Douglas**	78
MHS	71	*	Benons	45
MHS	49		**Safford**	61
MHS	38	*	**Thatcher**	63
MHS	69	**	**Pima**	78
MHS	56	**	Ft. Thomas	46
MHS	71	**	Duncan	41
MHS	62	*	Tombstone	29
MHS	44	*	Duncan	42
MHS	96	*	Willcox	56
MHS	114	*	Clifton	48
MHS	57	*	**Thatcher**	70
MHS	62	*	**Benson**	63
MHS	77	*	Duncan	46
MHS	43	*	Tombstone	25
MHS	78	*	Clifton	64
MHS	89	*	Willcox	66
MHS	96	***	Clifton	55
MHS	46	***	Duncan	39
MHS	50	***	**Thatcher**	59
MHS	49	****	**Antelope**	52

WON-13 LOST-9

*Conference Game
**EAC Tournament
***District Tournament
****State Tournament

Following a year's absence, the Wildcats paid a return visit to the state basketball tournament, their first trip as a Class B contender.

Although the boys earned their berth at state by placing second at divisionals, the team actually had to struggle throughout the season. Five of the first six games were recorded on the losing side of the ledger and prospects for a good season at that point looked rather bleak. "We had a good team, but we played some really tough competition at the beginning of the year," concluded Junior Villagomez.

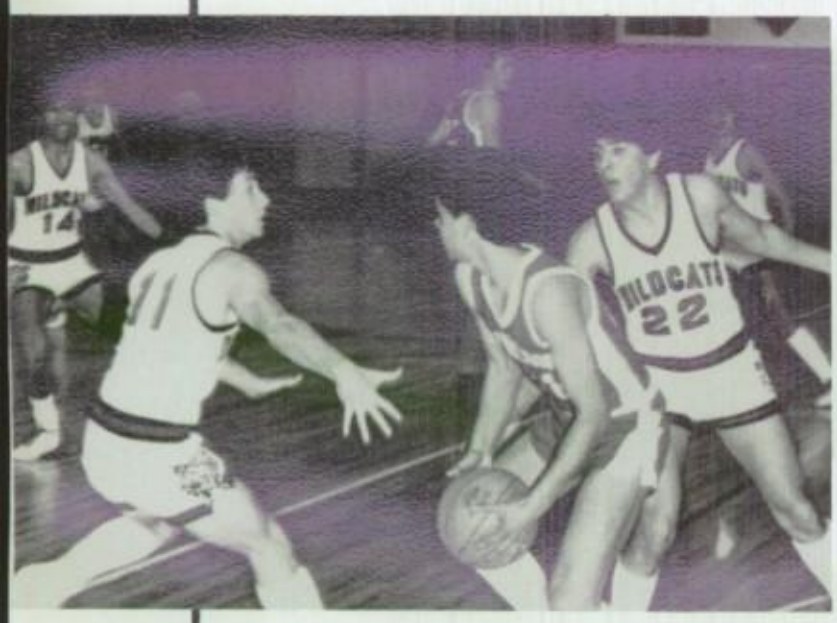
The Cats finally got on track at the EAC Holiday Tournament. After losing the first game to a tough Pima squad, the eventual Class C state champs, Morenci rebounded with wins over Fort Thomas and Duncan to take the consolation title.

Hoping to dethrone Thatcher, the defending Class B-East conference and Class B state champs, the Cats saw their hopes severely dimmed with a 63-38 beating by the Eagles in Morenci. "It was a tough loss to take," admitted senior Richard Martinez. "We worked very hard during the week preparing for the game, but the Eagles totally outplayed us."

Other than Thatcher, the Wildcats were able to easily overpower the rest of the B-East competition, with one exception. In their first game against Benson, Morenci beat the Bobcats by a convincing 26-point margin. A determined Benson team pulled an upset, however, when they hung on for an exciting one-point victory over the Cats in Morenci.

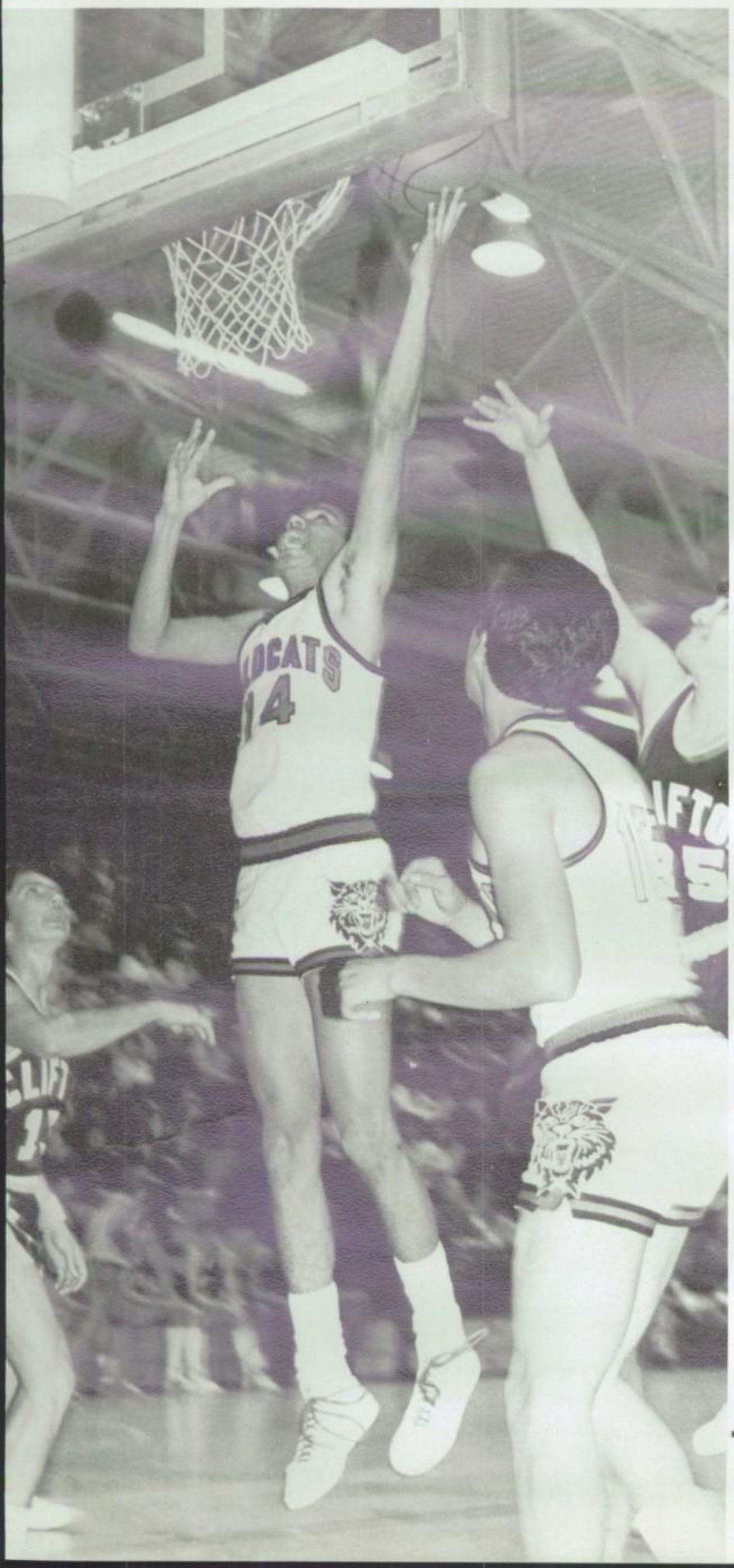
Facing the Antelope Rams in the first round of the state tournament the Wildcats were up against the #1 ranked team in Class B. With Gabriel Garcia contributing 14 points in the first two quarters, Morenci led by two at the half.

Trading baskets in the third and fourth periods, the Cats missed three shots in the last 27 seconds, ending the season with the 52-49 loss. Garcia, with 29 points, was the only Morenci player in double figures.



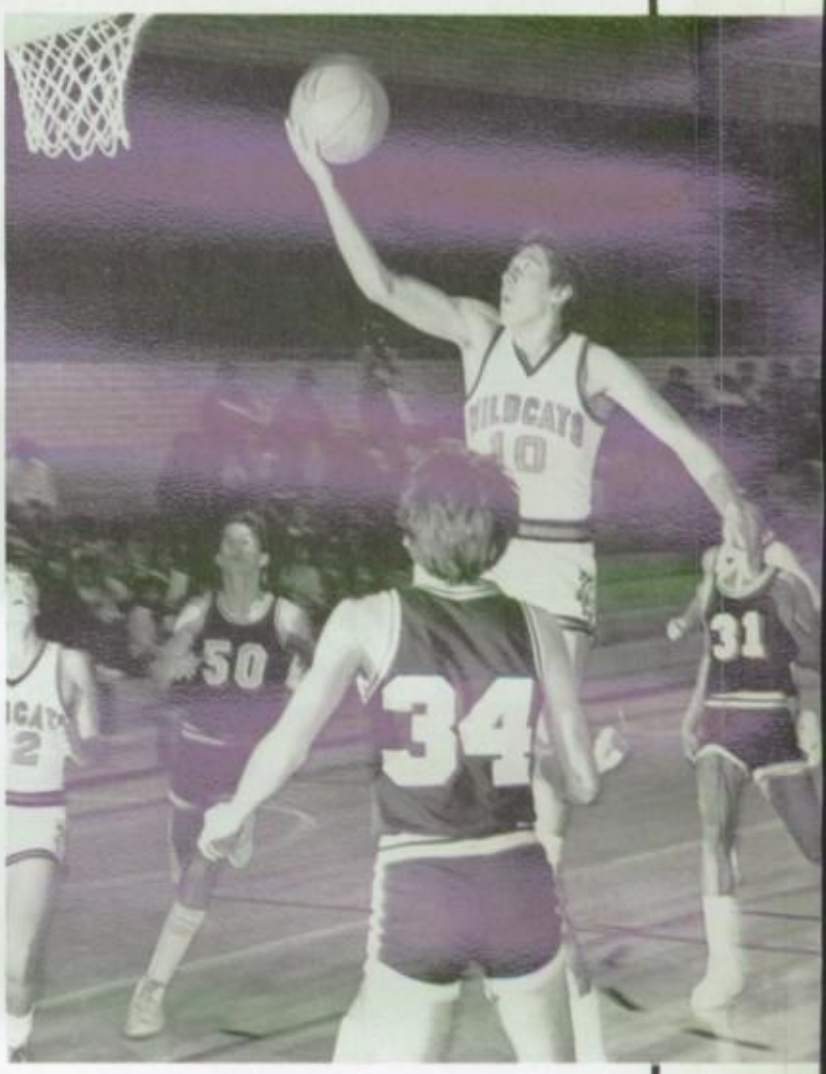
Trapping a Duncan Wildcat, #11, David Williams, and #22, Thomas Borjon, try to get a ten-second call on the opponent. Morenci won 77-46.

BOY'S VARSITY BASKETBALL: FRONT ROW: Mark Gaxiola, Richard Martinez, Gilbert Valenzuela, David Williams, Tomas Borjon. **2ND:** Coach Tom Navarrete, Martin Gherna mgr., Johnny Merino, Xavier Denogean, Gabriel Garcia, Ernie Barquin, Junior Villagomez, Chris Scott, mgr.



Successfully scoring two of his 22 points against the Clifton Trojans, is all-conference senior Gabriel Garcia, #14.

Skying high, Junior Villagomez, #10, floats for a layup in the Cats' 43-25 victory over Tombstone.



Looking toward the baseline, #12, Richard Martinez, tries to maneuver around former Wildcat, John David Ramirez from Douglas. Morenci lost to the Bulldogs by ten points.

WRESTLING

DUAL MEETS

MHS	14	**Safford**	50
MHS	51	Clifton	15
MHS	63	Thatcher	9
MHS	45	Benson	25
MHS	53	Cobre	15
MHS	64	Thatcher	18
MHS	56	Clifton	22
MHS	23	**Cobre**	47

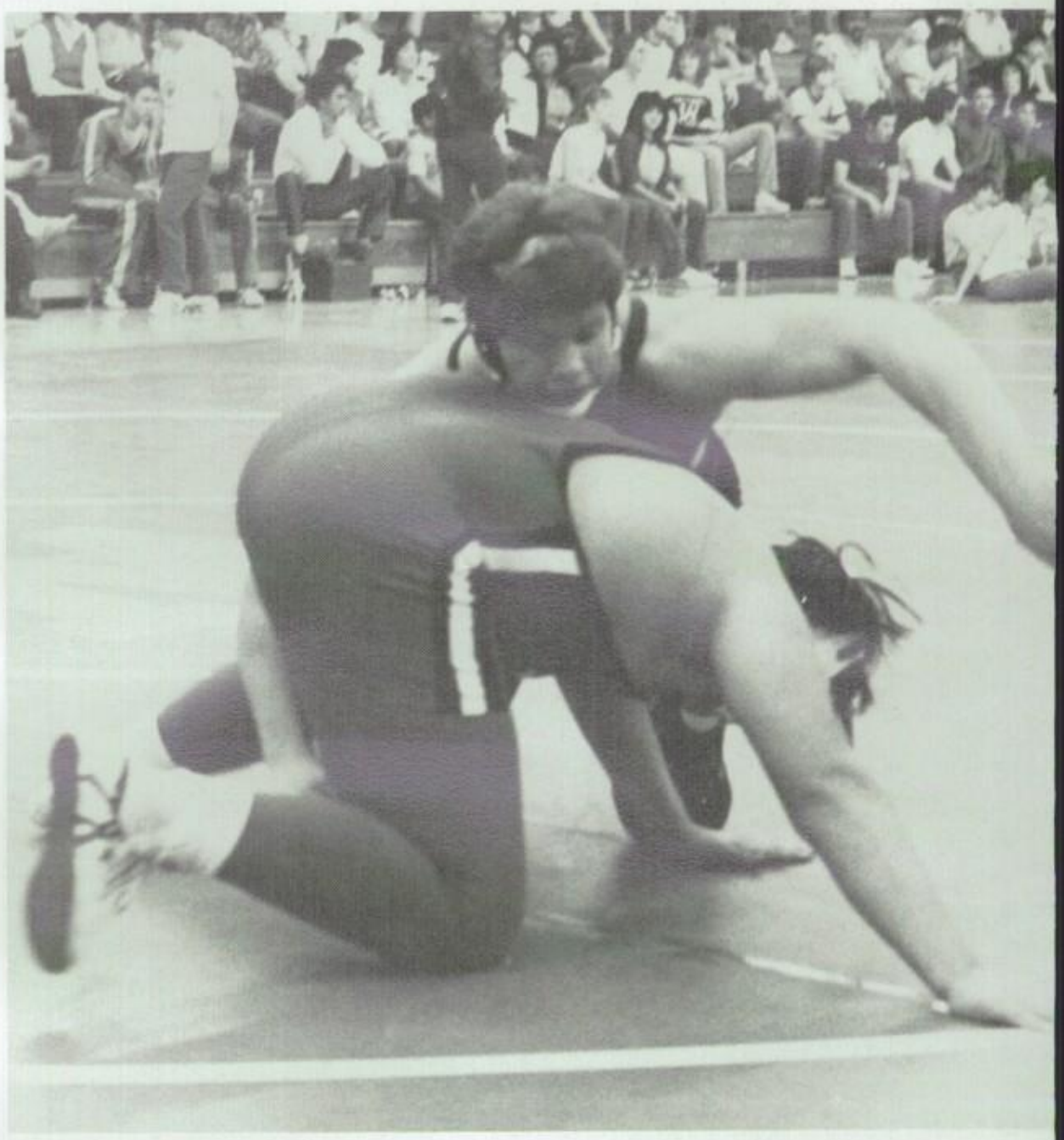
WON-6 LOST-2

INVITATIONALS

Bisbee	1st
Douglass	2nd
Benson	4th

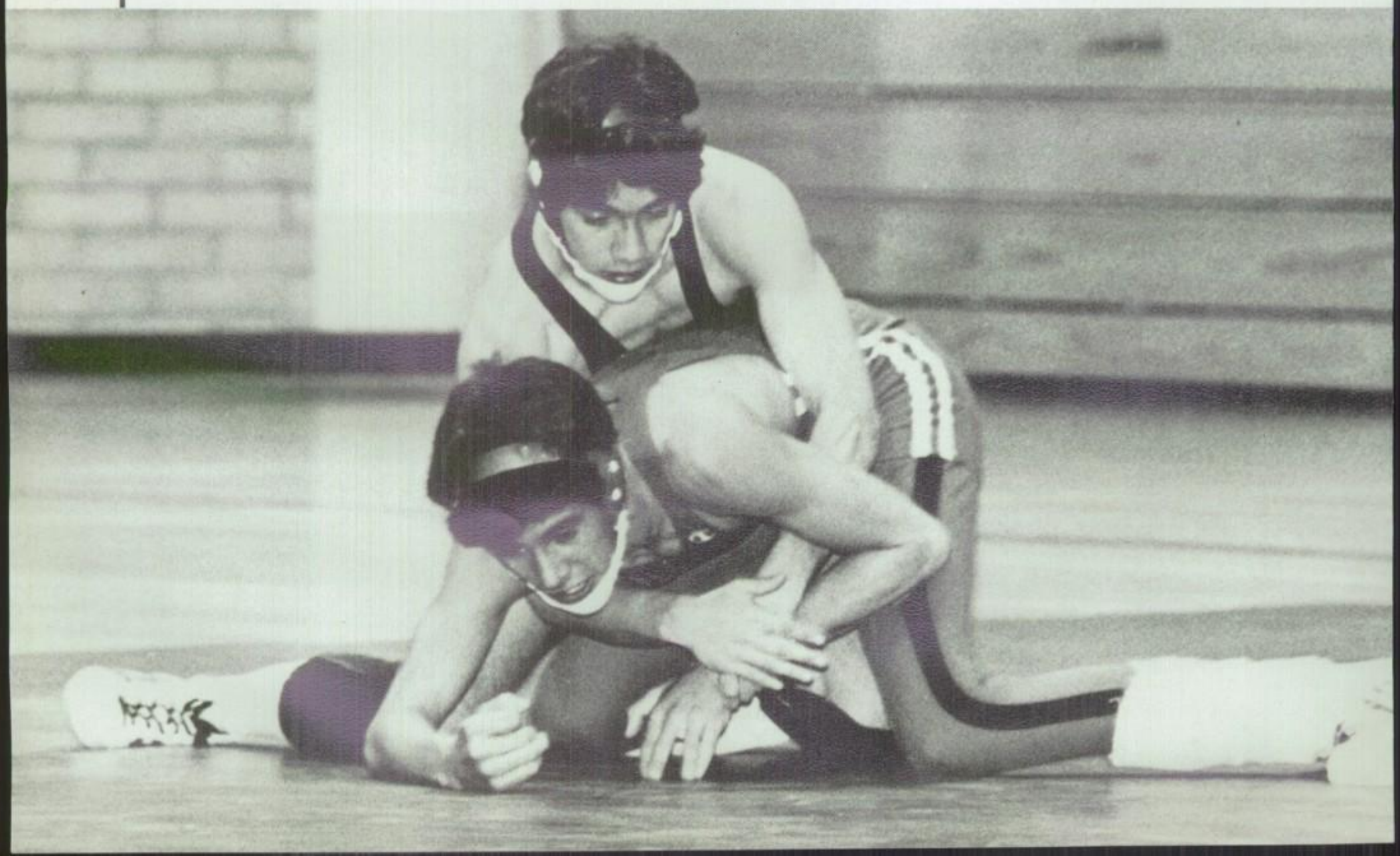
TOURNAMENTS

B-C South Divisionals	2nd
B-C State	2nd



Heavyweight Andy Chaff rolls his Ajo foe at the divisional wrestling tournament. Andy went on to take the B-C State heavyweight title for the second year in a row.

State champion, Johnny Velasquez attempts to "break down" his Cobre opponent in Morenci's 53-15 win over the Indians.



A Year Of Firsts

Wrestlers have best season ever

Following on the heels of last year's successful season, returning wrestlers were confident they would once again have a good record when the new season opened. Most of the top people in each weight class were returning and prospects for the best season ever were very good.

It didn't take the wrestlers long to live up to their billing as the squad won their first invitational tournament in history at Bisbee in December. Placing first were Johnny Velasquez, Kenny Bahschnitt, and Andy Chaff.

Clifton was an easy conquest for the Cats as they trounced the Tojans in both dual meets by scores of 51-15 and 56-22. "It was a feeling of great success to do something that no one else has ever accomplished," remarked senior Rocky Davis.

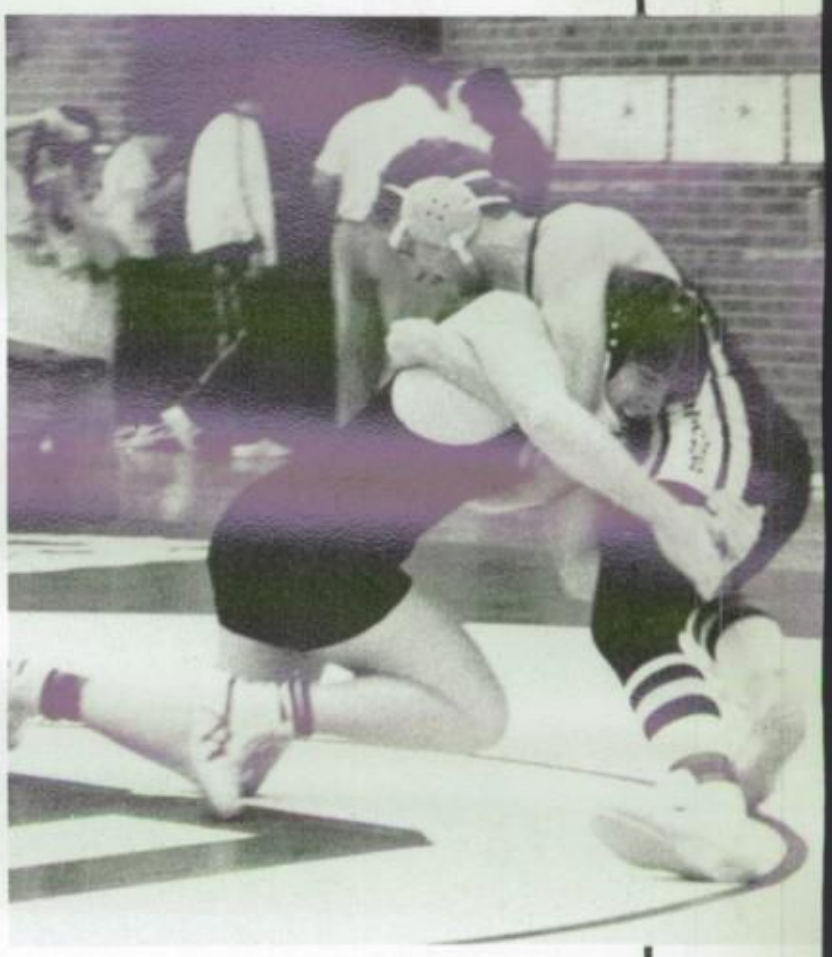
At B-C divisionals held in Willcox, Morenci placed second with 139 points. Benson took first with 141 points. The unexpected loss was blamed on injuries to wrestlers Leonard Morales and Paul Zale. "If they hadn't gotten hurt," reasoned Vincent Chavez, "we would have taken the tournament."

Heading into the state tourney, the local squad doubted they could place in the top three. As Coach Gilbert Padilla commented: "Round Valley had nine people and Joseph City had eight competing in the tournament. We only had six wrestlers representing Morenci."

With five of the six Wildcat wrestlers placing, however, Morenci collected enough points for a second place finish behind Round Valley. Ken Bahschnitt and Fred Sanders placed third in the 179# weight class and the 191# class; Vincent Chavez came in second in the 167# division. Heavyweight Andy Chaff and 105# Johnny Velasquez both won gold medals.

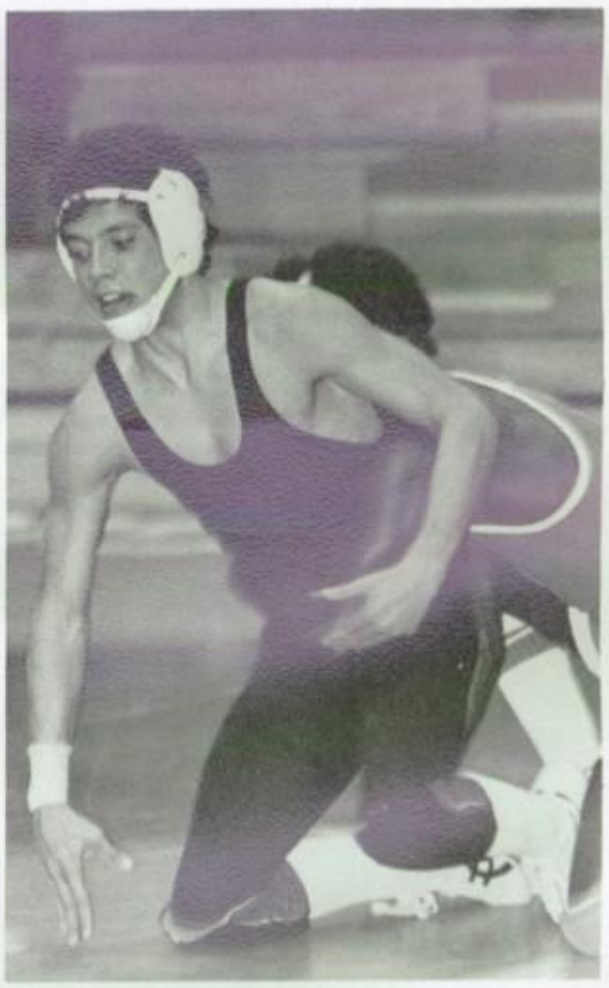
When asked how he felt being state champion two years in a row, Andy replied: "It's great, especially since I'm the first wrestler from Morenci to ever take state two times."

Johnny Velasquez was also thrilled at giving Morenci its first double state champions. "It was pretty savage!" he exclaimed. "I choked at state the last two years losing to a 'fish' in the first round one year and then not making weight last year. This was a good way to end my senior year."

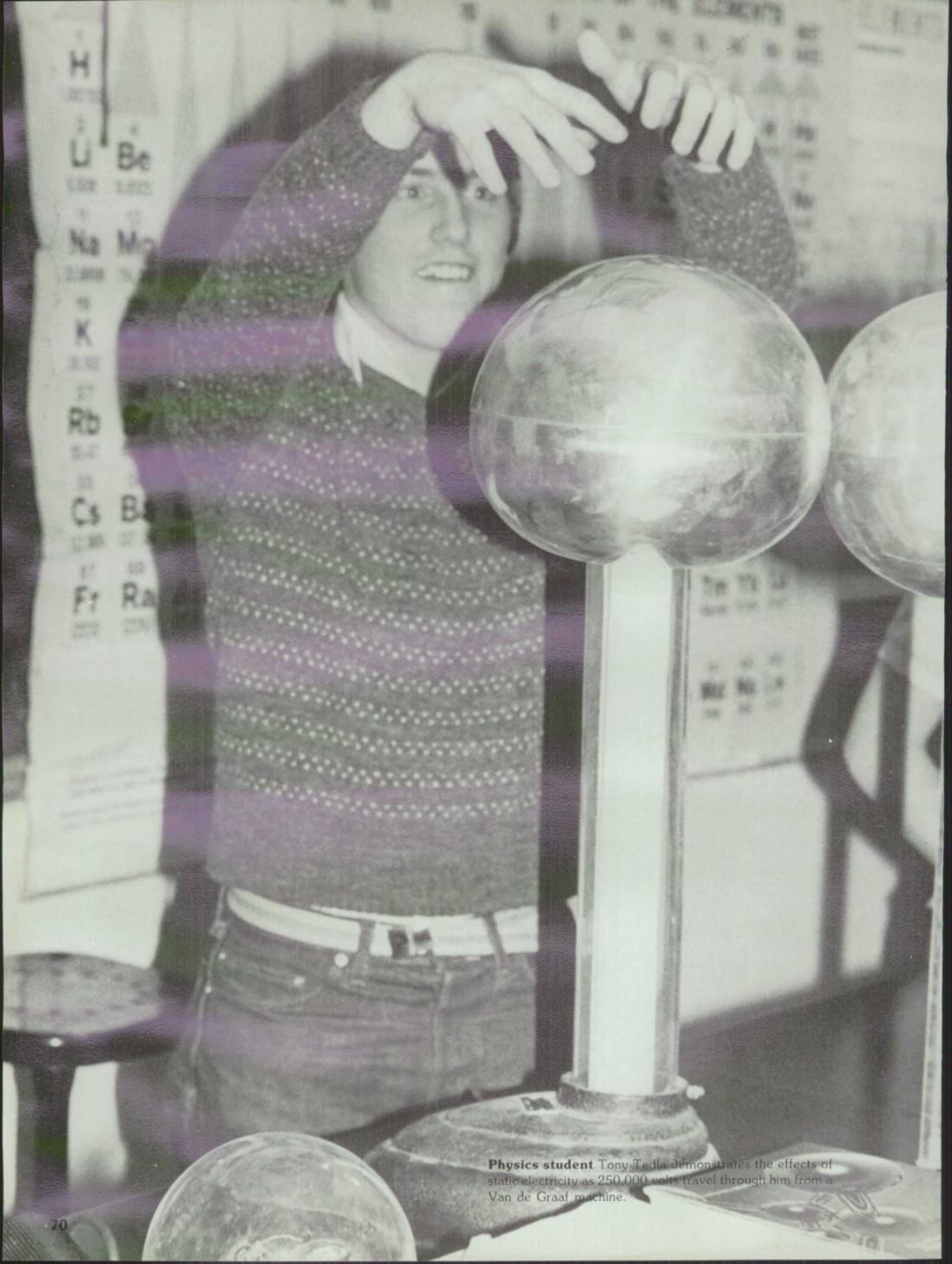


Shooting for the legs of his Tombstone opponent, Joe Vaughn, Kenny Bahschnitt works for a takedown. The semifinal win at the Class B-C South divisional wrestling tournament gave Kenny a second-place finish.

Senior Leonard Morales tries for an escape in the Cats 14-50 dual meet loss to Safford. The 126 lb. Wildcat wrestler was pinned by his opponent in the closing seconds of the third period.



WRESTLING TEAM: FRONT ROW: Robert Carrasco, Jorge O'Leary, Chris Saiz, John Velasquez, Jon Day, Ramie Sanchez. **2ND:** Tony Tedla, statistician; Clint Burke, Paul Zale, Rocky Davis, Frank Maldonado, Leonard Morales, Vincent Chavez, Dwayne Sanders, Ray Moran. **3RD:** Assistant Coach Dave Hansen, Maurice Sandoval, Mike Burkett, Kenneth Bahschnitt, Jesus Luna, Andy Chaff, Fred Sanders, Chris Dingman, mgr.; Victor Urquidi, Head Coach Gilbert Padilla.



Physics student Tony Tedla demonstrates the effects of static electricity as 250,000 volts travel through him from a Van de Graaf machine.

Together for . . .
LEARNING

Time at school was what each student wanted to make it. If you were a dedicated scholar, you aspired to reach certain goals despite the obstacles; whereas many students seemed more susceptible than ever to letting outside events disrupt their work in school.

Homework remained a disliked part of the daily routine. Term papers were dreaded by the juniors, while seniors struggled with memorizing long lists of vocabulary words. Students often forgot about studying each night, and cramming for a test was usually the norm instead of the exception.

Special projects broke the everyday classroom monotony, and students even got excited about working on the new computers and word processors.

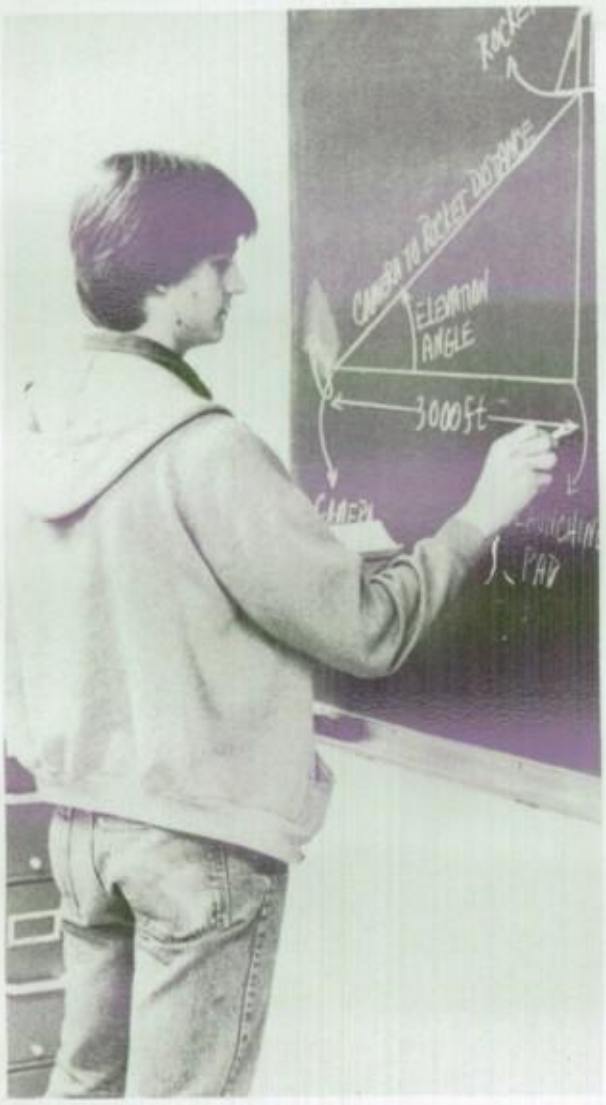
Although teachers and students often complained about each other, they shared a common awareness that troublesome times within the community were having an impact on everyone's daily attitude. There was an appreciation that by sticking together through it all there would be more gains than losses in the long run.

Dissecting an earthworm, Brenda Beltran uses a probe to find the ventral nerve cord of the speciman.

Making a funnel out of sheet metal is shop student James Cooper.

Art students Junior Villagomez and Charlie Romero draw a still life as part of an art scholarship test.

Advanced math student Hulon Hayes solves a problem using differential calculus.



Whiz Kids

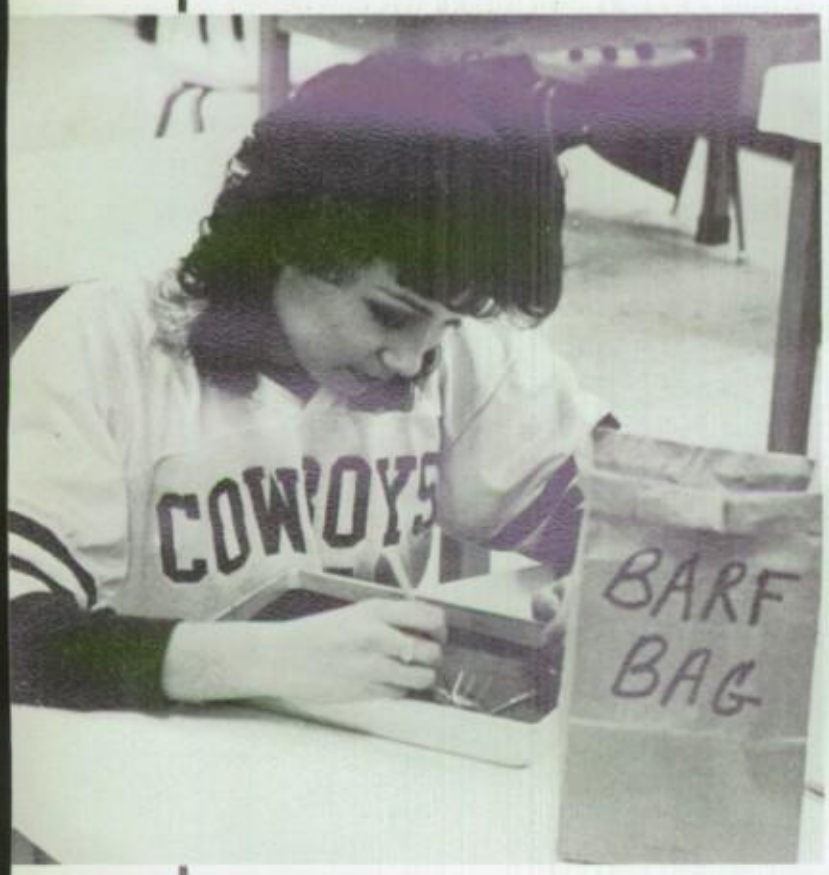
Games turn on computer buffs

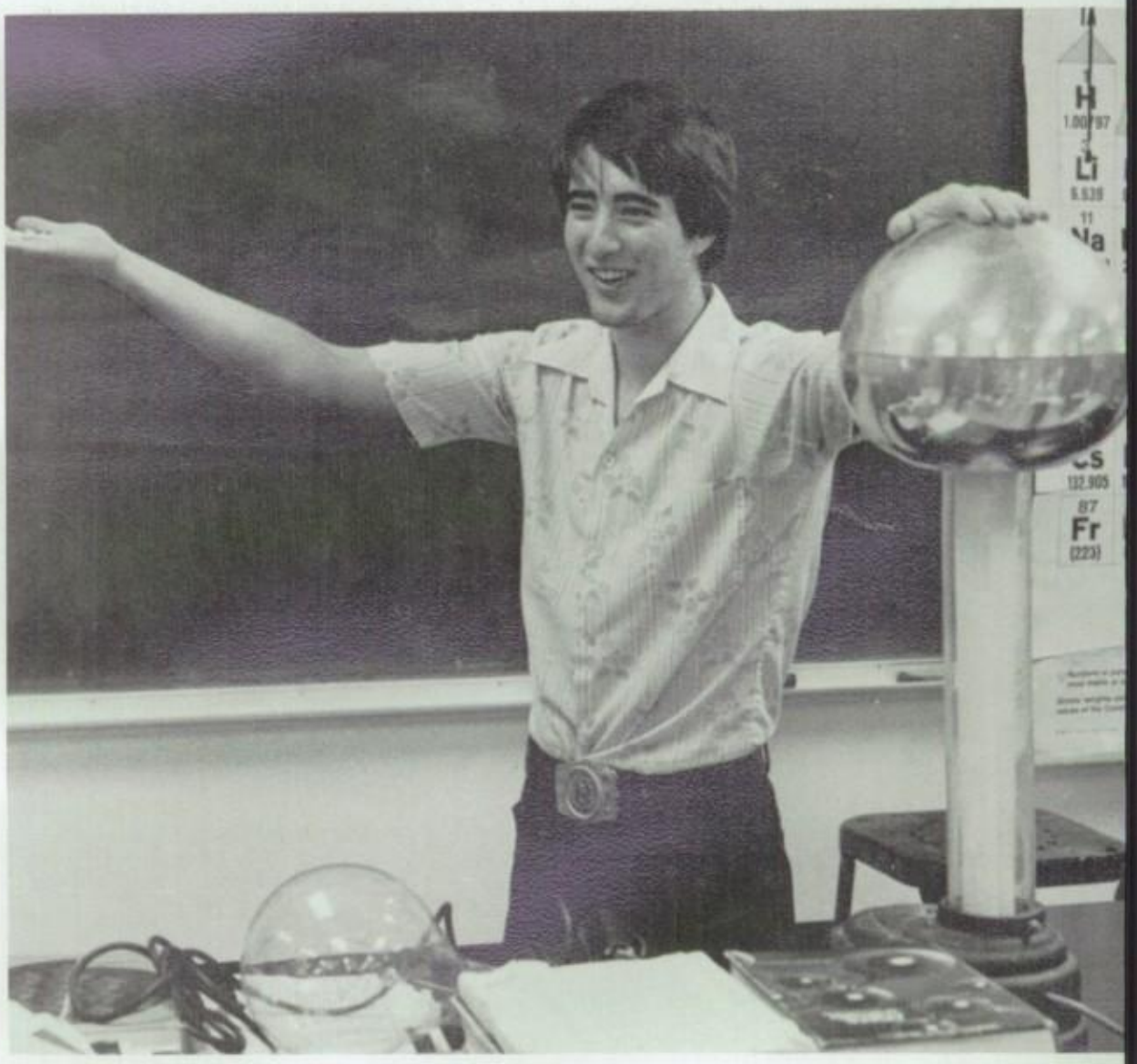
Six new Apple II's arrived during the summer for use in the computer science classes. They were a welcome addition to the machines which had been used by the department in the past. "At least these run," quipped teacher Ed Bouriaque, referring to the problems the department had in keeping the old TRS 80's in working order. "The Apples are much more reliable and versatile."

Students found writing a program for the computer very challenging. Devising games which could be played on the Apples became popular. Advanced computer students Patrick Scheier and Tony Tedla wrote a program for a game called "Devil's Dungeon". Explaining the strategy, Patrick said: "You go through a maze of caves trying to get as much gold as possible without getting killed. It's similar to the board game, 'Dungeons and Dragons'."

Although most biology students found the course intersting as well as fun, they complained about the smell when dissecting various specimens. Wrinkling up her nose, Stephanie Feinstein said: "The chemicals in the jars the specimens come in really stink."

Melissa Lopez was reluctant to touch the worm when the class dissected the long hairy earthworms. "I had Daniel Lopez pick it up for me and then hold it while I pinned it on the tray." When asked how she thought she would react to dissecting a pig later on in the year, Missy replied: "I think I'll probably 'gross out'."





While dissecting an earthworm in biology Andrea Villarreal believes in being prepared for any eventuality.

"It's a shocking experience," laughs physics student David Bouriaque as the current runs through his body and causes the rice crispies in his hand to pop.

Concocting a brew to use later that evening, Darlene Lizarraga prepares for Halloween.

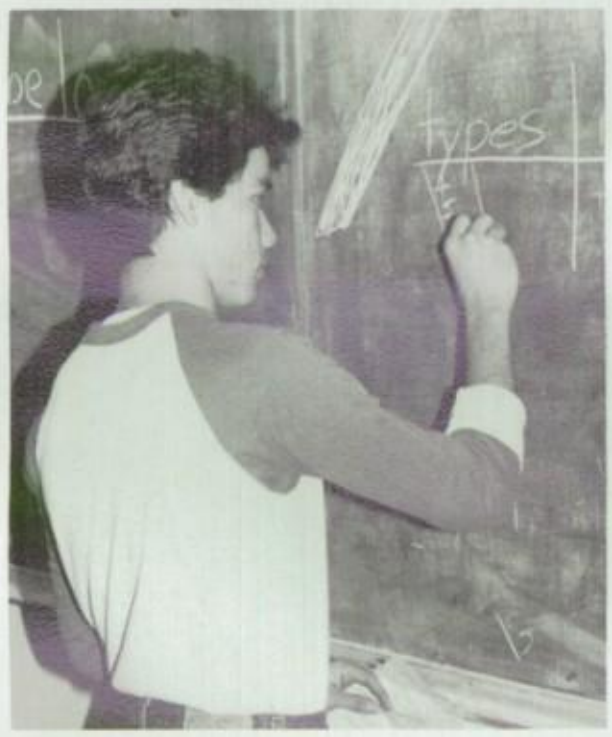
Devising a new program Pat Scheier keys in the information on the computer.

Mixing a formula in her chemistry class is Christina Parsons.

Looking at some Confederate money used during the Civil War are U.S. History students Marc Ruedas and JoAnn Sierra.

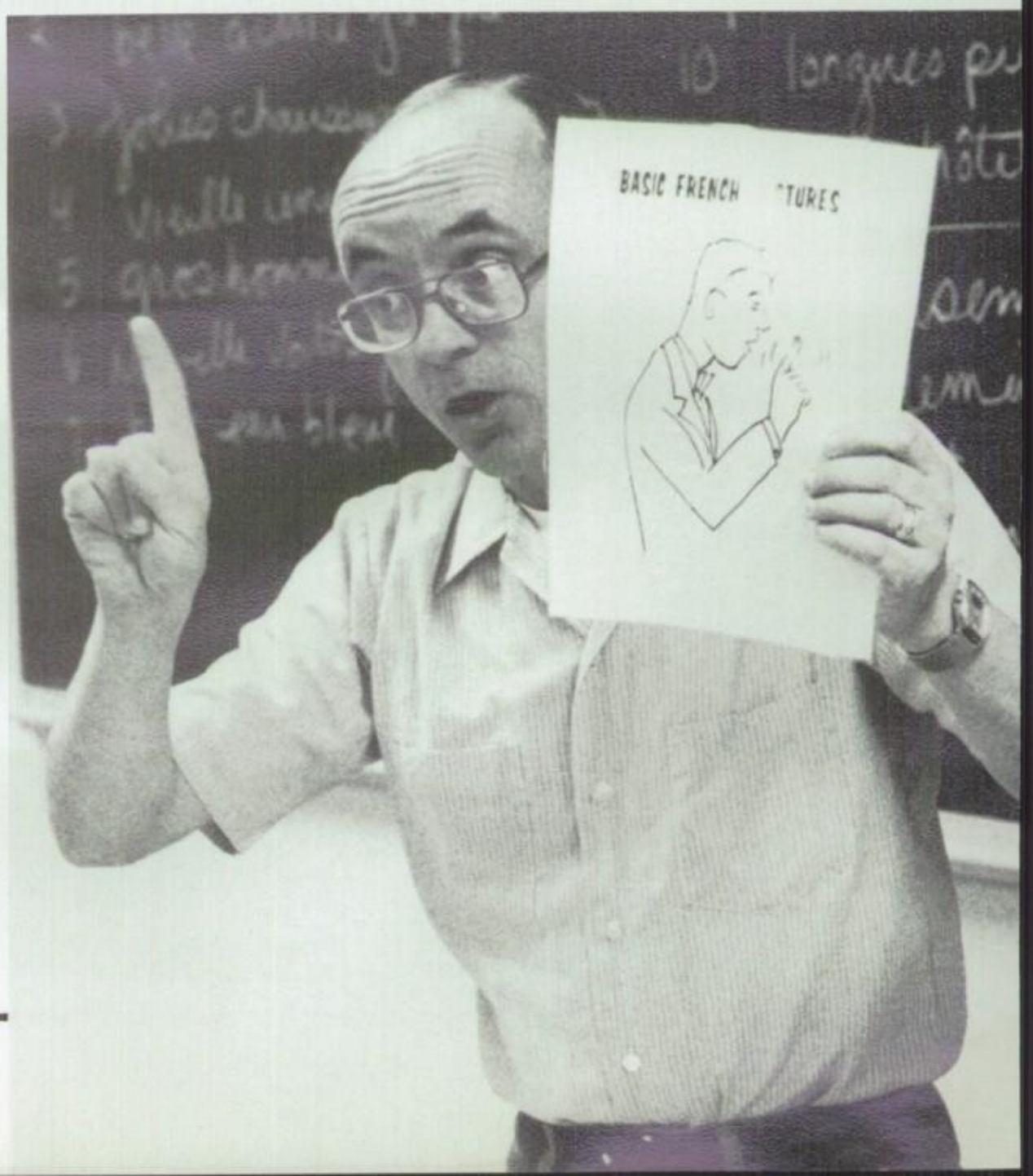
Working in the language lab, Spanish student Margaret Garcia records her answer.

Christmas "Care bears" are painted on the office window by artists Stan Paz and Tammy Esparza.



Competing in a board race in English II, Orlando Abril tries to finish first in the sentence diagramming.

Using his hands, foreign language teacher John Washington explains a basic French gesture to his class.



The "Three Little Kittens," Richard Martinez, Cory Licano, and Anthony James, act out their story in practical English IV.

Tales For Tots

Original stories leave an aftertaste

As an assignment in team creativity, students in Mr. Cork's English classes were assigned a story-telling project. "They could either come up with an original tale or use one of the old standards," explained Mr. Cork. The addition of costumes and props was also part of the assignment and plans were made for the best groups to present their dramatizations at one of the elementary schools later in the year.

One of the most popular stories was Jeanie Snyder's original "How to Get to the Middle." Jeanie's plot dealt with a little boy's quest to find out how many licks it took to get to the middle of a Tootsie Pop. "I think the class liked it because we gave them suckers at the end," laughed Jeanie.

Board races were used in English I and II classes to make diagramming sentences more enjoyable. "It was a fun way to check our homework," exclaimed Debbie Rodela. "Plus the row that won got a free homework coupon good for one missed assignment," added Mona Sanders.

Advanced foreign language classes were small, giving students the opportunity to receive a great deal of individualized attention. It was the first time in three years a Spanish III class was offered.

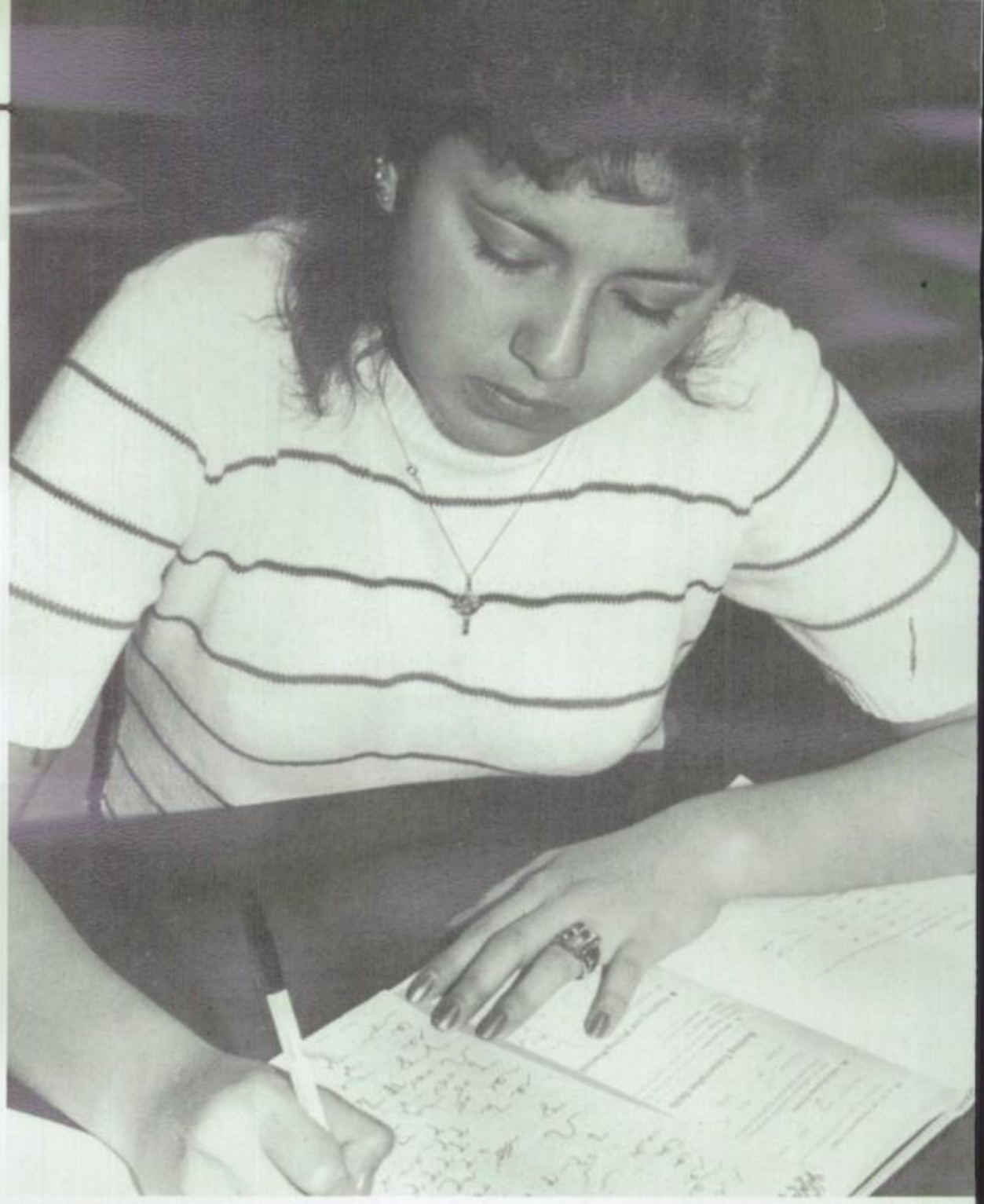
Designing buttons was one of the favorite assignments in the art classes. Students had to make two buttons for the class project. "They were fun to do," reflected Gina Franco, "but were lots of work. All the drawing on the buttons had to be done in sharp detail so they would show up. It took a lot of time to do all the coloring, too."

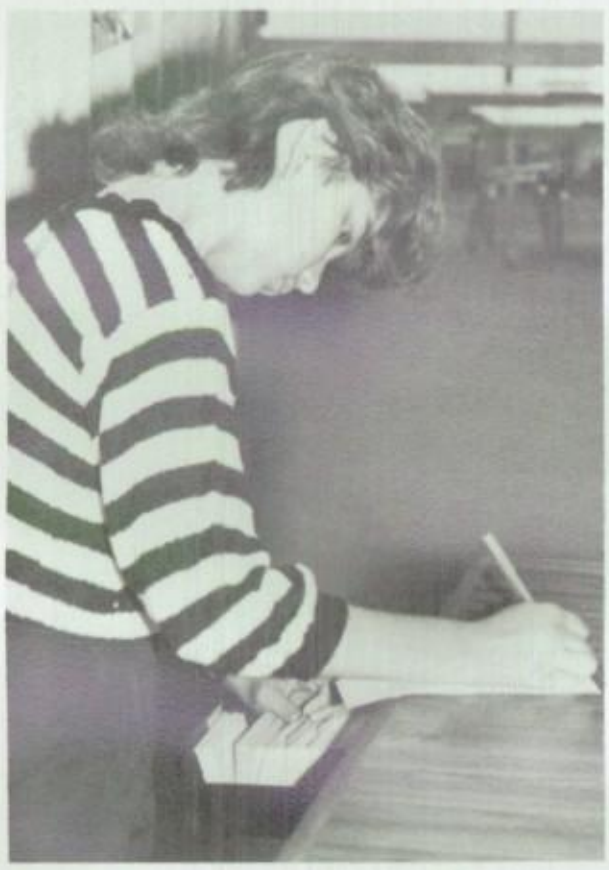
Origami, the Japanese art of paper folding, was also enjoyed by the artists. Students made paper airplanes which had to fly a certain distance or stay in the air for a specific amount of time. Testing their planes, Chuy Luna's design didn't fly in a straight line like most. "It boomeranged back to me," he laughed.

Art student Erma Villagomez does a pencil drawing of her brother, Junior.

Trying to improve her shorthand skills, Marlo Garcia repeats the day's lesson.

Home ec I student Debra Patterson prepares a batch of chocolate chip cookies.





Preparing her health report on nutrition, Doreen Cervantez looks for sources of information in the card catalog.

Mobbing For Apples

Wood processors are a big hit

Races for the word processors became daily events as students hurried to claim one of the three Apples new to the business education department. "It's fun typing my homework on the word processor and then watching the finished results being printed," stated Carolina Espinoza.

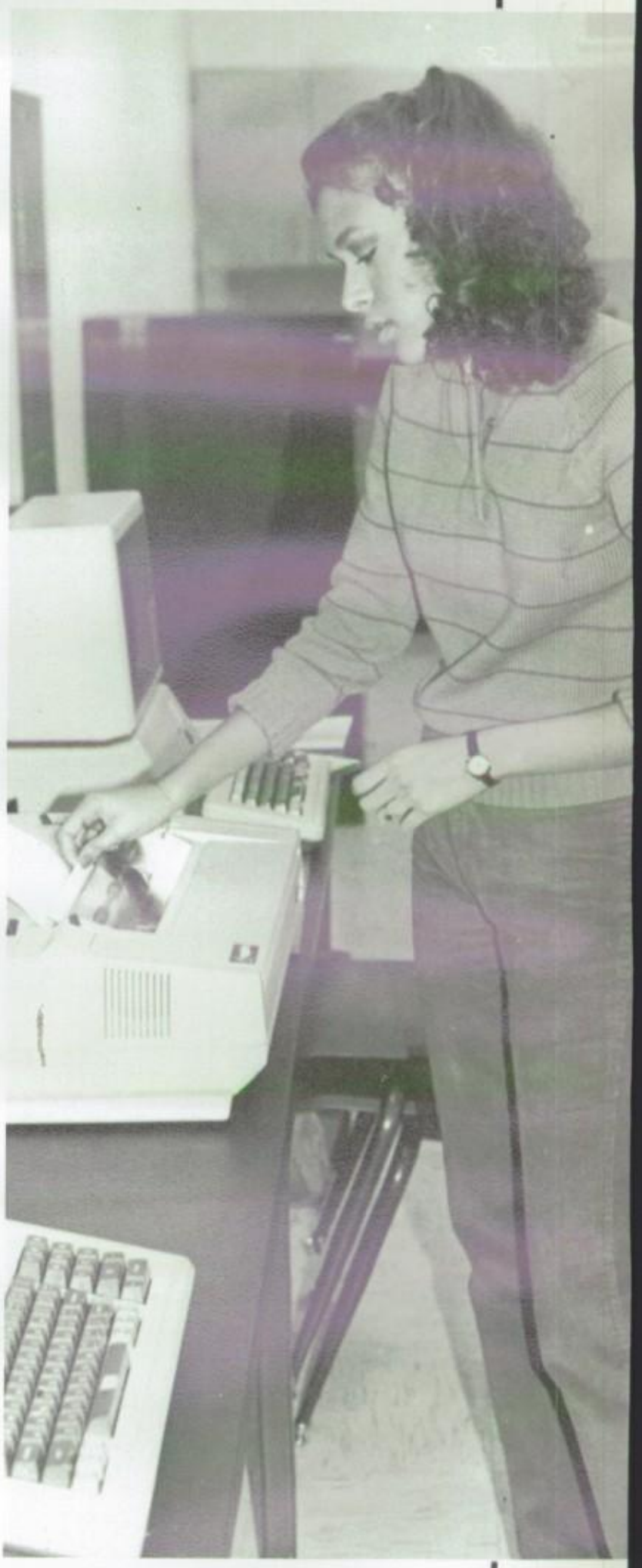
Senior Hulon Hayes was emphatic about the way he felt about the Apples. "They're great!" he exclaimed. "It's not only easier to correct mistakes on the word processor, but it's definitely more fun than erasing. They make typewriters obsolete."

Officer Rudy Pedrogon of the Clifton police department spoke to the health classes on the dangers of alcohol and other drug abuse. According to sophomore Maria Cordova, ". . . he made me realize what drugs can really do to a person."

Home economics students studied clothing selection. "We analyzed our personal coloring by skin, eyes, and hair," explained Shelly Bryant. "Then we used color collars to select the best colors for ourselves. I found out I definitely don't look good in Army green."

Surrounded by a never-ending stack of papers, teacher's aide Stephanie Harper grades a set of typing jobs.

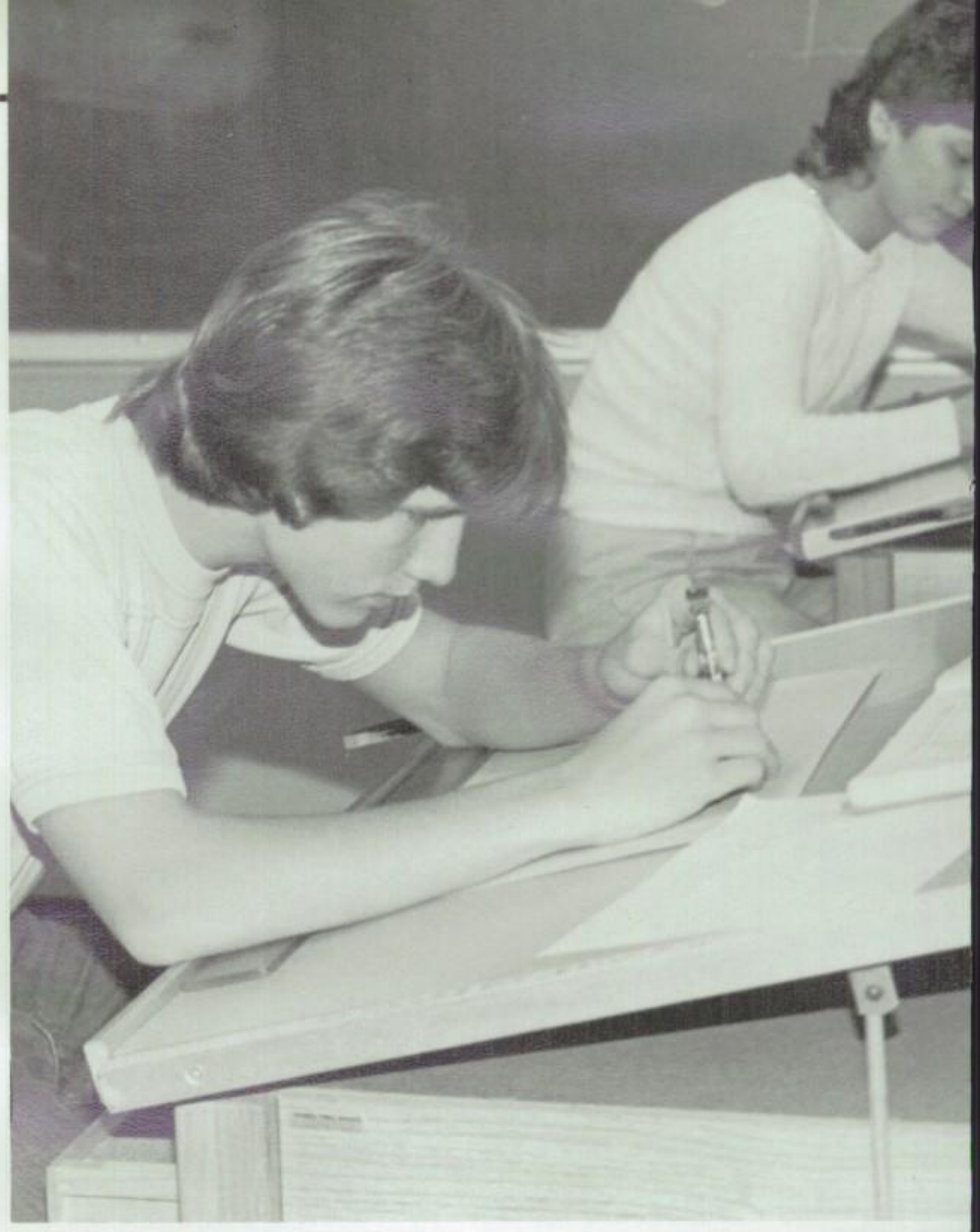
Reading the print-out on the Apple III word processor is senior Lisa Franco.



Survival student Albert Cordova selects accessories for his home decorating project.

Designing a multi-view of a block are first-year drafting students Steve Wene and Callie Maldonado.

Auto II student Bobert Montoya repairs a hole in a tire.



A broken heater hose is replaced by senior Steve Gamblin.

Attaching the brake detonator to the bumper, driver's ed students Lisa Fuller and Jeff Best prepare the car to be used for measuring reaction time.

Beating the Heat

Students cool off in new pool

Getting away for a quick dip was a welcome break for P.E. classes the first week of school. Students were bussed to the newly completed swimming pool located near the shopping center. After changing into their suits, they had about 30 minutes to swim before having to redress for the return trip to the high school.

Boys were required to swim two laps before having the freedom to do whatever they wanted for the remainder of the period. Even though their time was limited, students enjoyed the break from the regular classroom routine. "It was a good way to wake up in the morning, too," laughed second-hour student Holly Parsons.

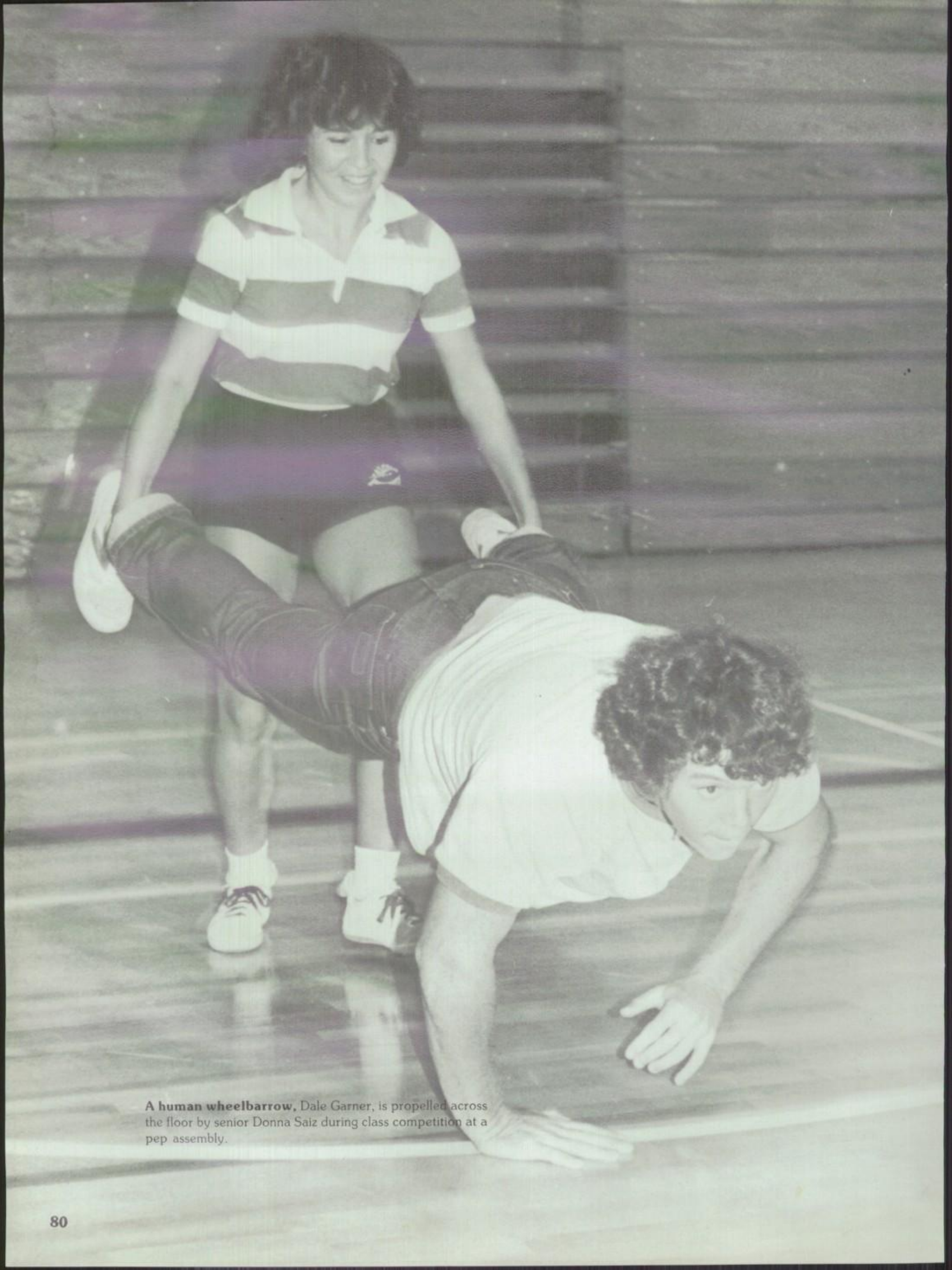
Driver's education teacher Bruce Kinneberg was thrilled to obtain a new set of cones to use in teaching parallel parking to his students. "I was tired of playing the part of the front bumper. Somebody came close to running over my toes last spring."

In the industrial arts department, metal shop students repaired a cart on which to haul wrestling and track mats. "We made it last year but it broke," explained Tom Vaughn. According to Fred Campbell, ". . . they didn't know what they were doing last year. First the steering broke and then the wheels fell off."

The drafting class was composed of both beginning and advanced students. "It's my favorite subject," claimed senior Andy Padilla, "and I hope to put it to use by becoming an architectural draftsman some day."

Metal Shop students John Connell and Johnny Valdez repair an exhaust pipe.

Fifth hour P.E. students enjoy a rough game of "Cage Ball" on the football field.



A human wheelbarrow, Dale Garner, is propelled across the floor by senior Donna Saiz during class competition at a pep assembly.

Together with . . .

PEOPLE

Our ranks were down this year due to the large number of families who moved during the summer before school started. Ending the '83 school year with 430 students, we opened in August with only 378.

We immediately felt the loss of Mr. Vernon Schultz, a teacher in the district for 29 years. Due to illness, Mr. Schultz was forced to retire shortly after the school year started.

We also sadly anticipated the loss of two more long-time faculty members. Both Bobby Troxell and Joe Galusky, members of the staff for 31 years, planned to make this their last year.

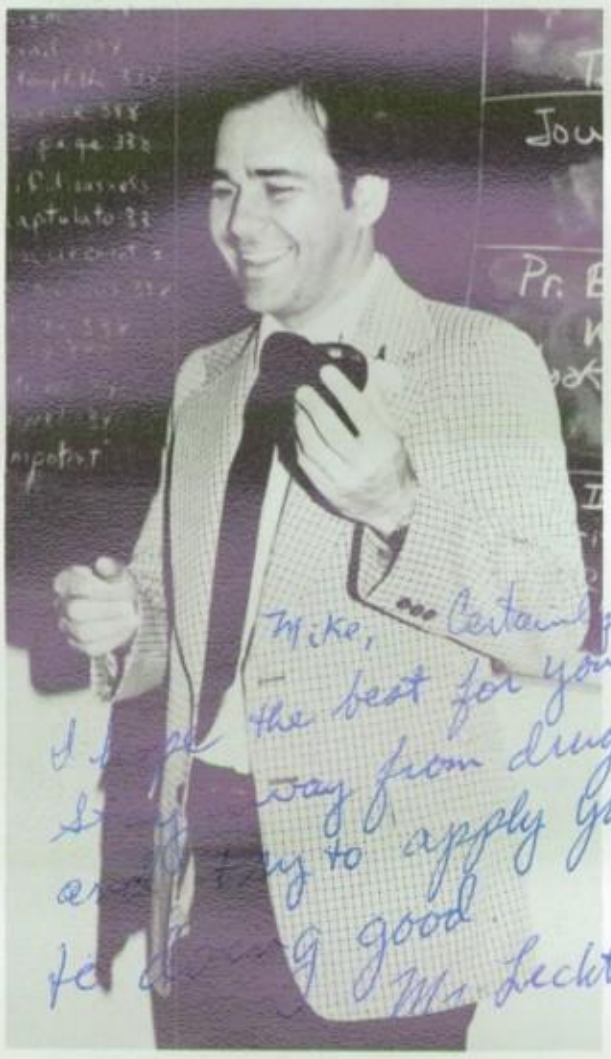
Although in our new building for two years, seniors continued to miss the old school with its character and traditions. There was the added burden of having to complete with the "ghost of '83", a group that had been considered an outstanding senior class.

The juniors, through hard work and excellent leadership, were extremely successful raising funds needed for the prom.

Sophomores felt somewhat left out being caught in the middle — no longer a freshman but not yet an upperclassman.

And then there were the freshmen, who astounded everyone by winning the spirit competition at the first pep assembly.

Throughout the year, students and teachers were asked to face many changes and accept the challenge to move forward.



A werewolf, otherwise known as Steve Gamblin, leads Melanie Romero through the Haunted House at the Halloween Carnival.

A pleased John Lechtenberger holds up the apple he received from Student Council members on "Teacher Appreciation Day."

Emotionally charged freshmen give it their all during the class competition at the first pep assembly of the year.

On behalf of the entire student body, Student Council president Leigh Ann Owen accepts the Row Award from athletic director Tom Powers following the presentation by Mr. Max Peck.

School board members pictured at the new swimming pool include: **FRONT ROW:** Larry Ross, Hector Ruedas. **2ND:** Bill Richardson.

Assisting the faculty, administration and students are: **FRONT ROW:** Sue Filleman, secretary. **2ND:** Wanda Johnson, school nurse; Ophelia Sanchez, attendance officer; Maureen Windsor, secretary.

Added Responsibility

Following last year's move into the new building, coupled with the pressures of going through a North Central Association evaluation, the 1983-84 school year was expected to be a much easier one. At least that was the assumption before the bitter strike against Phelps Dodge divided the town into warring factions.

"We've all been working a lot harder to keep school an educational institution," admitted principal John Glodis. "Both the administration and the faculty have taken on an added responsibility to try to keep it that way and to remain impartial." Assistant Principal Tom Powers added: "It's really a credit to our student body that they've been able to come to school under such adverse conditions and make this such a good year."

Guidance counselor Jack Edens added coaching football to his other responsibilities. "I agreed to serve as the interim coach for the '83 season following the resignation of Mr. Lynne Nuttall."

After a successful 9-2 season Coach Edens commented: "I was very pleased with the attitude of the team in light of the tension in the community. They were able to keep their mind on football and not let the economic and social problems of the town affect their play."

Channel 10 investigative reporter, Jack Salvatore, interviews principal John Glodis on the effect of the Clifton flood in the Morenci School District.

Secretaries and bookkeepers at the administration office include: **FRONT ROW:** Carol Navarrete, Rosalie Gilliland. **2ND:** Jean Ruedas, Becky Navarrete, Julie Woodall.

Directing daily activities at the high school are: **FRONT ROW:** John Glodis, Principal. **2ND:** Jack Edens, Guidance Counselor; Tom Powers, Assistant Principal.

Responsible for the smooth running of the school system are: Tony Boling, Superintendent, Gilbert Weisling, Assistant Superintendent. **Not Pictured:** Don Roth, Director of Special Services.

Helping Hands

Dressed as a hobo on Halloween, Virgil Cork grades papers in his English class.

Local teachers were quick to offer a helping hand following the devastating flood that struck Clifton on October 1. Some helped dig out houses, others prepared food for the flood victims, and several washed clothes and cleaned household goods covered with the sticky, gummy mud.

Librarian Bobby Troxell cleaned some of the items salvaged from the demolished trailer located next to the Rode Inn Motel. "It was awfully hard to get the mud off," exclaimed Mrs. Troxell, "and it had a terrible odor!"

"It was icky!" added Mayre Ferro. The mud clung to clothes and was impossible to get out of certain things. I had to use a toothbrush to clean some of the furniture recovered from my aunt's house."

Because the Assembly of God church was located in an area which had flooded several times before, Bill Senne, along with other members of the congregation, removed the piano and organ from the building before the river ever overflowed its banks. "We also managed to get some of the pastor's furniture out of the parsonage located next to the church," explained Mr. Senne.

The group's foresight proved wise as the area was inundated with several feet of water. "I went back in on a National Guard dump truck five days after the flood to help remove what was salvagable. The water was still waist deep in the parsonage."

"The mud was very deep inside and around the homes," explained math teacher Dwayne Willard. "Although it was hard work digging out the houses, it was certainly worthwhile. Besides, I had my picture in the **Arizona Republic** even though they had my name and job printed incorrectly."

Due to the contamination of the water and mud, helpful teachers were rewarded for their efforts with the prospect of a tetnus shot. When asked if he had received his shot, Joe Galusky exclaimed, "Why?" Am I going to die?" Following the moment of humor, he added a serious note, "Clifton will never be the same again. Replacement of a town is a very slow process."

Edward Bouriaque — Teaches Basic Math I, II, Computer Science; Sponsors the Junior Class.

Virgil Cork — Teaches Practical English II, IV, English II; Sponsors A.F.S., Senior Class; Coaches Girls' JV Volleyball, Girls' JV Basketball.

Ruth Eaves — Teaches English I, II; Sponsors Drama Club.

Roy W. Faulkner — Teaches Shorthand, General Business, Typing I, Bookkeeping; Business Manager for NHS and Copper Cat.

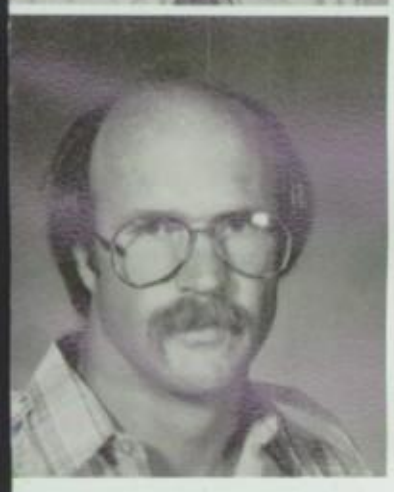
Mayre Ferro — Teaches Practical English II, English III; Sponsors the Sophomore Class.

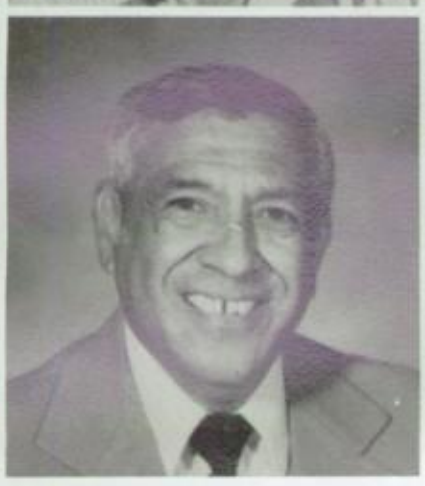
Noralea Gale — Teaches Girls' P.E.; Sponsors the Freshman Class, I.G.A.A.; Coaches Frosh & Varsity Volleyball, Girls' Tennis.

Joseph T. Galusky – Teaches Chemistry I, II, Physics, Earth Science; Sponsors the National Honor Society.

David A. Hansen – Teaches Auto Shop I, II, Metal Shop I, II.

Sandra Hudgens – Teaches Typing I, II, Office Machines, Publications; Sponsors the Copper Cat, Quill and Scroll.

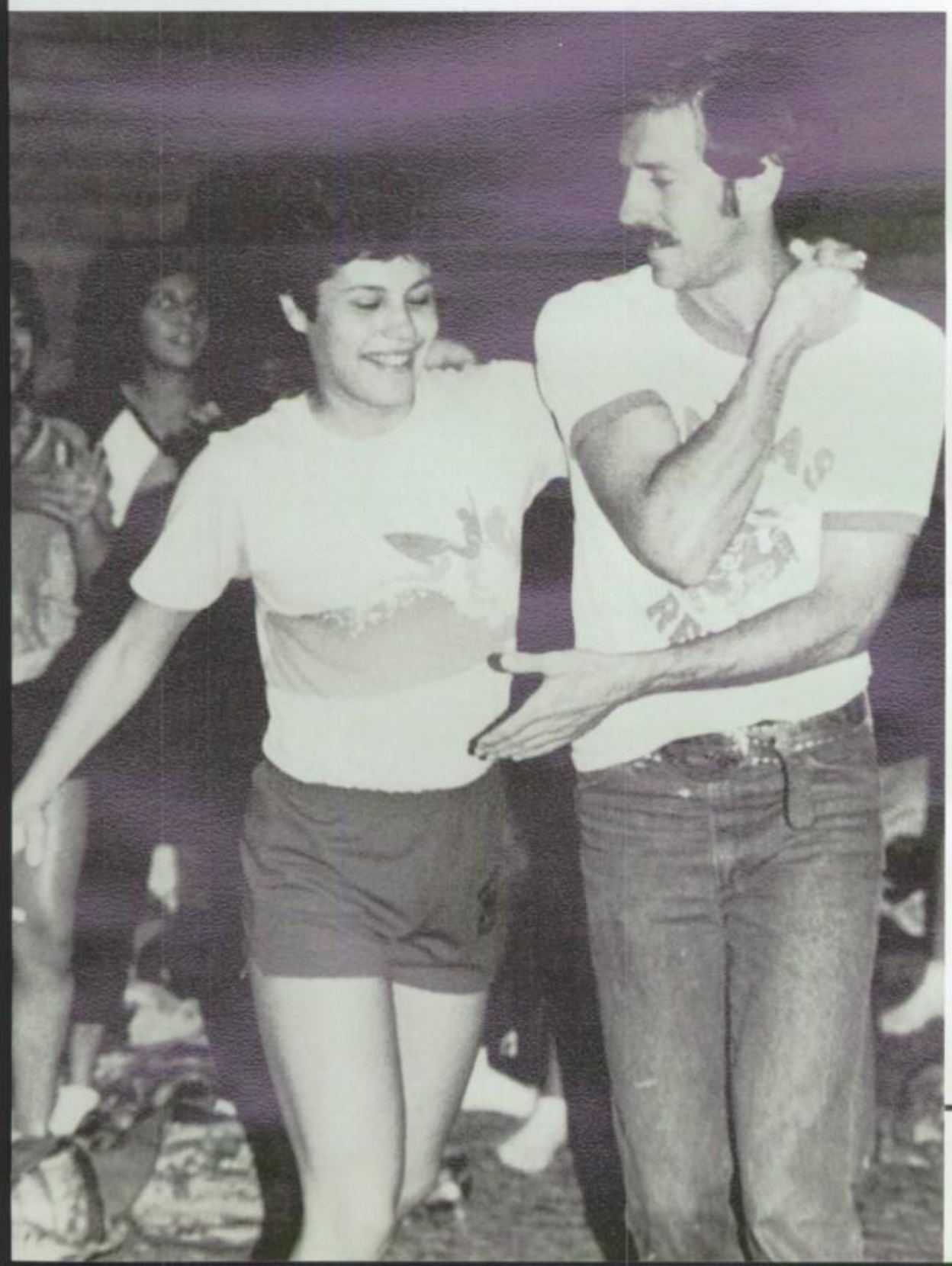




Bruce Kinneberg – Teaches Drivers Ed, Health, Boys' P.E.; Sponsors Letter Club; Coaches Varsity Baseball, Football, Frosh Basketball.

Ralph Lara – Teaches Current Events, Spanish I, II, III; Sponsors Spanish Club, Spanish National Honor Society.

John Lechtenberger – Teaches English III, IV, Reading I; Sponsors Student Council.



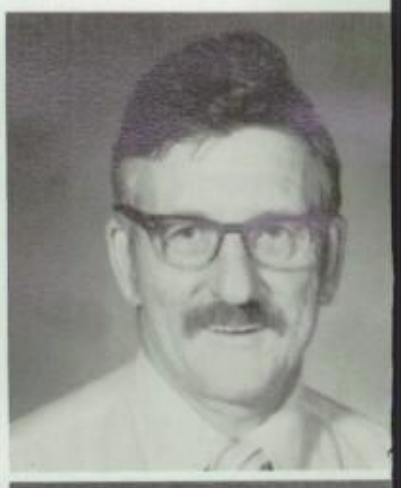
Peeking around the doorway, Mrs. Noralea Gale checks to see if Madam Gweeta is open for business at the Halloween Carnival.

Demonstrating his jitterbug style for the volleyball players stranded at the Powers home during the October flood is Dave Woodall. His dancing partner is senior Liz Peralta.

Roger Rodriguez Munoz — Teaches Band, Guitar, Choir; Sponsors Marching Band, Pep Band.

Tommy Navarrete — Teaches Boys' P.E.; Coaches Varsity Basketball, J.V. Baseball; Sponsors Freshman Class.

Ray G. Prevost — Teaches, Basic Biology, Earth Science; Coaches Boys' Tennis.



Lawrence R. Roche — Teaches Resource.

Kenneth A. Scheier — Teaches U.S. History, Current Events, Wood Shop, Drafting; Sponsors Senior Class.

William R. Senne — Teaches U.S. History, World History; Sponsors the Chess Club, Model U.N.

Bobby Troxell — Teaches Library Science.

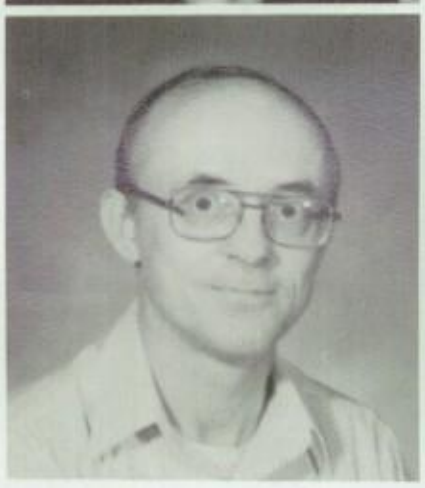
Lori Vordermann — Teaches Remedial Reading, Resource; Sponsors Cheerleaders.

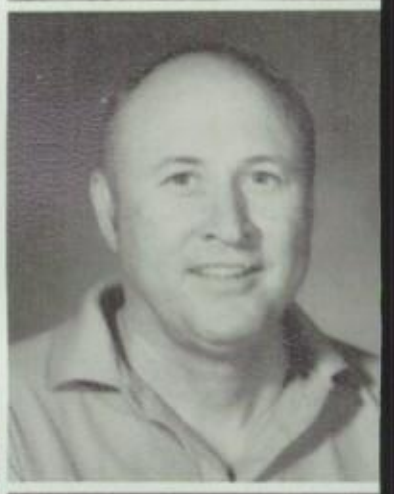
Gary Walton — Teaches Algebra I, II, Geometry, Advanced Math; Sponsors Junior Class; Coaches J.V. Boys' Basketball, J.V. Football.

John S. Washington — Teaches Modern Biology, French I; Sponsors French Club.

Nina B. Weisling — Teaches Home Economics I, II, S.F.Y.A., Health; Sponsors Senior Class.

Dwayne Willard — Teaches Algebra I, Geometry, Basic Math II, Applied Math.





Linda Lee Willard — Teaches Art; Sponsors Junior Class.

David Woodall — Teaches American Problems, Boy's P.E.; Sponsors Senior Class, I.G.A.A.; Coaches Girls' Basketball, Boys' Track.

On The Road

Summer vacation provided many local teachers with an opportunity to do some traveling.

English teacher Mayre Ferro spent six weeks in England during which time she enrolled in a three-week course in early romantic English poets at Cambridge University. Her favorite form of entertainment was going to see English plays. "I got to see eight productions while I was there," she exclaimed.

Mrs. Ferro also claims to have turned into an Indian food addict. "I mean Indian as in India," she explained. "Because of England's long association with its colonies in India, there are numerous restaurants specializing in Indian food, which happens to be very spicy. I think I ate at every one of them before I left."

Spanish teacher Ralph Lara was one 19 AEA state delegates to the national NEA convention in Philadelphia. "While not attending the meetings," mentioned Mr. Lara, "we toured historical sites such as Independence Hall and Valley Forge. From there we went on to Atlantic City and also visited Washington, D.C. on our trip home."

History teacher Bill Senne also made a trip east to attend a two-week class in revolutionary history. "I stayed at the Lee Plantation in Virginia, and visited all the various historical sites throughout the state."

For home economics teacher Nina Weisling, summer vacation meant an eight-day visit to Hawaii. "It was expensive, but wonderful," said Mrs. Weisling in summing up her trip. "We went on every tour possible, and I even got kissed by Don Ho while attending his show at the Hilton."

English teacher Ruth Eaves took advantage of the long Veteran's Day weekend to take a late vacation to Epcot Center in Florida. "We bought a truck last spring and received two airline tickets, so it was like a free vacation for us," she explained.

A beaming Roy Faulkner grins after mysteriously receiving a dozen apples from his shorthand students on "Teacher Appreciation Day." Nancy Balderrama appears to know something about the sudden appearance of the fruit.

Providing some lunchtime entertainment are musicians Willy Imrich, Marc Brooks, and Will Laney along with faculty members Michael Fleishman and Roger Munoz.

Only a small problem

Being a freshman is bad enough, but being a short freshman is really the pits.

According to 4'10" Teresa Dayao, " . . . the worst part of being short is the names people call me. I get tired of being called things like Midget and Tatoo." Teresa also admitted that strangers often think she's only 10 years old.

Not letting her size stop her, however, Teresa played both volleyball and basketball. "I just have to work harder," she admitted, "and I do worry about getting stuffed in basketball."

Joe Stoner doesn't mind his small size, but he does have one major complaint. "I'm tired of shopping for my clothes in the children's department."

How did 4'11" Joe Stoner end up standing next to the tallest member of the band, 6'3" Michael Moreno?

Finding a girlfriend his size was Raul Dayao's biggest problem. "The girls are all taller than me," he groaned.

A common problem for all the short freshmen was trying to get through the halls inbetween classes. "I get stepped on, pushed into people, and stuck in the middle of crowds," complained Monica Jimenez. "There are some days when I think I'll never make it to my locker."

Students also had to cope with the problems of being short while at home. "I get tired of having to drag along a chair wherever I go so I can reach things," confided Julie Baker.

Jeff Aguilar
Mike Alley
Julie Baker
Chad Bates
Bobby Baughn
Georgia Bejarano
Ricky Bendel
Roxanne Breshears

Melissa Bruce
Shelly Bryant
Julie Carr
Julie Chavez
Michael Chavez
Libby Chavez
James Cooper
Mark Correlejo

Lisa Cueto
Jon Day
Raul Dayao
Teresa Dayao
Anne Dingman
Maria Dominguez
Nancy Dominguez
Christina Dunagan

Joey Epperson
Anita Espinoza
Jennifer Ferro
Angel Flores
Alex Florez
Cathy Gallegos
Louis Garcia
Michelle Garcia

Not Pictured:
Francisco Batchelder
Monica Chavez
Cindy Harris
Dirk Harris
Lisa Garrett
Scott Graham
Judy Griffin
Tammy Grime
Dianne Hartley

Kathy Heuser
Lesli Hogg
M.C. Holliday
Eric Holman

Not Pictured:
Joseph Lopez
James Moreno
Norman Williams

Chris Hughes
Janet Humprey
Lance James
Monica Jimenez
Brad Johnson
Monica Lopez
Lisa Lorenzo
Patricia Luna

Dino Martinez
Paula Mendoza
Brian Montoya
Clint Moreno
Anthony Murillo
Itzel O'Leary
Debra Patterson
Leslie Paz

Ilda Pedrosa
Laura Perez
Jay Petty
Dawn Peete
Deidre Ramirez
Michelle Ray
Kelly Rhodes
Scott Richard

FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES include: **FRONT ROW:** Teresa Dayao, rep.; Becky Tellez, pres. **2ND:** Kathy Verdugo, rep.; Melanie Romero, rep.; Suzie Valdez, trea. **3RD:** Kristina Richardson, sec.; Mona Sanders, rep. **4TH:** Manny Vasquez, vice-pres.

Getting into the spirit of things, members of the freshman class display their banner during the first pep assembly of the year.

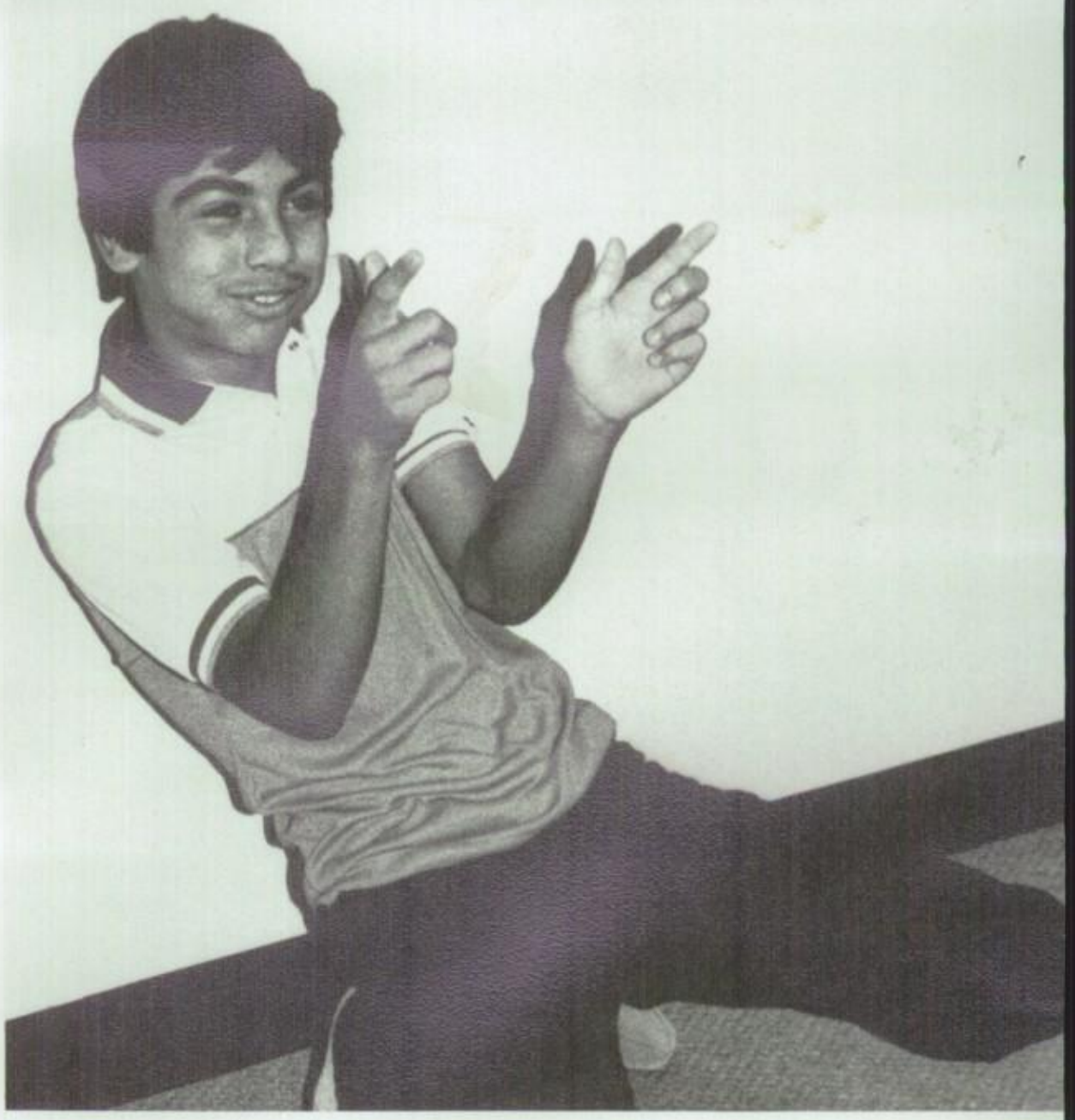
Kristina Richardson
Chris Robillard
Ben Rollins
Adam Roman
Melanie Romero
Richard Ruedas
Tracy Ruedas
Ben Saiz

Mona Sanders
Wayne Sharp
Lorraine Sierra
James Spencer
Joe Stoner
Dodi Stout
Lisa Taylor
Becky Tellez

Tim Tucker
Steve Turner
Victor Urquidi
Susie Valdez
Jon Varela
Anthony Vasquez
Manny Vasquez
Sally Vega

Kathy Verdugo
Kimberly Waldorf
Tammy Waldorf
Steve Wene
Kenneth Windsor
Anita Withrow
Amy Wood
Deborah Yazzie

Being introduced to the audience at the Homecoming ceremony are freshman attendants Julie Carr and Angel Flores.



Dropping to his knees, Jeff Aguilar shoots down a plane while performing air-raids for the seniors during initiation week.

Twins go Hawaiian

Beatrice and Theresa Denogean, better known as Bea and Tea, went to Hawaii for their family's ten-day summer vacation.

After flying from Phoenix to Los Angeles, the family spent five hours on the flight to Hawaii. "It was a long trip but well worth it once we got there," said Tea.

Staying in a condominium right on the beach, the girls thoroughly enjoyed the ocean. After taking lessons in a pool, Tea got to go scuba diving. "It was really a neat experience!" she exclaimed.

Although they didn't catch anything, Tea enjoyed a four-hour excursion on a fishing boat. Bea, however, spent most of her time on the boat sleeping. "I got seasick," she explained. "I had to go to sleep to keep from getting any sicker."

Modeling some of their Hawaiian souvenirs are Tea and Bea Denogean.

Bea's most embarrassing moment came when she had to dance the hula in front of an audience. "We were all watching a group of dancers at a party at the condo where we were staying. The dancers went out into the crowd and 'volunteered' people to come up on stage with them. The guy kept telling me to 'shake it' but I was too embarrassed."

While in Hawaii, people often mistook the girls for natives and asked them what village they were from. "When we answered 'Morenci,'" laughed Bea, "they asked what everybody always asks: 'Where's Morenci?'"

Orlando Abril
Rusty Aker
Rudy Andazola
Richard Aragon
Sylvia Avalos
Donald Baughn
Brenda Beltran
Frank Benavidez

Steve Biles
Steve Brannon
Clint Burke
Cecilia Bustamante
Robert Carrasco
Doreen Cervantez
Steve Chavarria
Maria Cordova

Kent Crotts
Tammy Dahlgren
Bea Denogean
Theresa Denogean
Christina Dingman
John Dominguez
Sheri Durr
Murl Easley

Stephanie Feinstein
Evelyn Flores
Veronica Flores
Justin Flowers
Gina Franco
Grace Franco
Steve Gaethje
Shanna Gash

Mark Gaxiola
Martin Gherna
Steve Gojkovich
Roger Griffin
Thomas Griffin
Chuck Guillory
Chris Hicks
Dean Horn

Competing for the spirit stick at the first pep assembly, the sophomores give their class yell.

SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES include: FRONT ROW: Deana Martinez, treas.; Francie Rodriguez, rep.; Shelly Rudeas, rep. **2ND:** Marnie Lock, rep. **3RD:** Marina O'Leary, pres.; Veronica Flores, vice-pres.; Stephanie Feinstein, sec.; Erma Villagomez, rep.

Paul Horn
Anthony Humphrey
Joe Imrich
David Jackson
Jon Kiesling
Melissa Legatzke
Karen Licano
Annette Lizarraga

Marnie Lock
Brian Looby
Daniel Lopez
Melissa Lopez
Johnny Loya
Jerry Luna
Jesus Luna
Artie Marin

Not Pictured:
Randy Baca
Darrell Batchelder

Ben Mapes
Deana Martinez
Amira Maza
Ann Mendoza
Kristi Merino
Serina Mingura
Roberta Morales

Anna Navarrete
Marina O'Leary
Theresa Padilla
Jamie Palomino
Holly Parsons
Pat Parsons
Irma Paz
Stan Paz

Patricia Pena
Fred Pennington
Becky Peru
Lawrence Peru
Beth Phelps
Kenneth Price
Steve Quiroz
Julie Reyes

Cindy Richard
Annette Rocha
Christine Rodela
Debbie Rodela
Francie Rodriguez
Raymond Romero
Shelly Ruedas
Chris Saiz

Rachel Saiz
Robin Saiz
Hector Salazar
Maurice Sandoval
Peggy Scheier
Nikki Stoner
Jennifer Thomas
Gary Tucker

Gloria Valdez
Ricardo Valdez
Lorraine Varela
Tom Vaughn
Erma Villagomez
Andrea Villarreal
Pam Willard
Julie Wriston

Four your eyes only

According to those students who switched from glasses to contacts, two eyes are definitely better than four. "At least I don't have to listen to any more dumb jokes about having four eyes," remarked Nikki Stoner.

For Murl Easley, switching to contacts meant clearer vision. "Looking through my glasses was like looking through a dust storm. They were always covered with dirt and fingerprints and would fog up in the locker room when people were taking showers."

For some athletes who have both, it was hard to decide which to wear while competing. "I worry about my contacts falling out and my glasses getting knocked off," confided Becky Peru.

After cleaning her contacts, Nikki Stoner checks to see if they're in right.

Representing the sophomore class during Homecoming festivities are Evelyn Flores and Orlando Abril.

Rolling in the dough

Most junior classes end up frantically trying to raise money at the last minute to finance the prom. Not so with the class of '85. With a goal of $2,000, the juniors found themselves close to attaining that figure by the time Christmas rolled around. As class president Callie Maldonado stressed, "We plan to have enough money to get the band we want rather than having to settle for only the band we can afford."

As sophomores, the class got off to a good start by selling 1,000 bunnies. Jacqueline Cooper recalled: "I had those little critters all over my room. We took bags of them to basketball games. They really caught the attention of the little kids but the parents weren't as thrilled about them."

Preparing nachos at lunchtime are Martha Gonzales and Callie Maldonado.

The most profitable fund-raiser was the raffle of a stereo which netted about $600. Also popular was the sale of nachos at lunchtime. "It was hectic getting things set up every day, but the profit was very good," stated class representative Martha Gonzales.

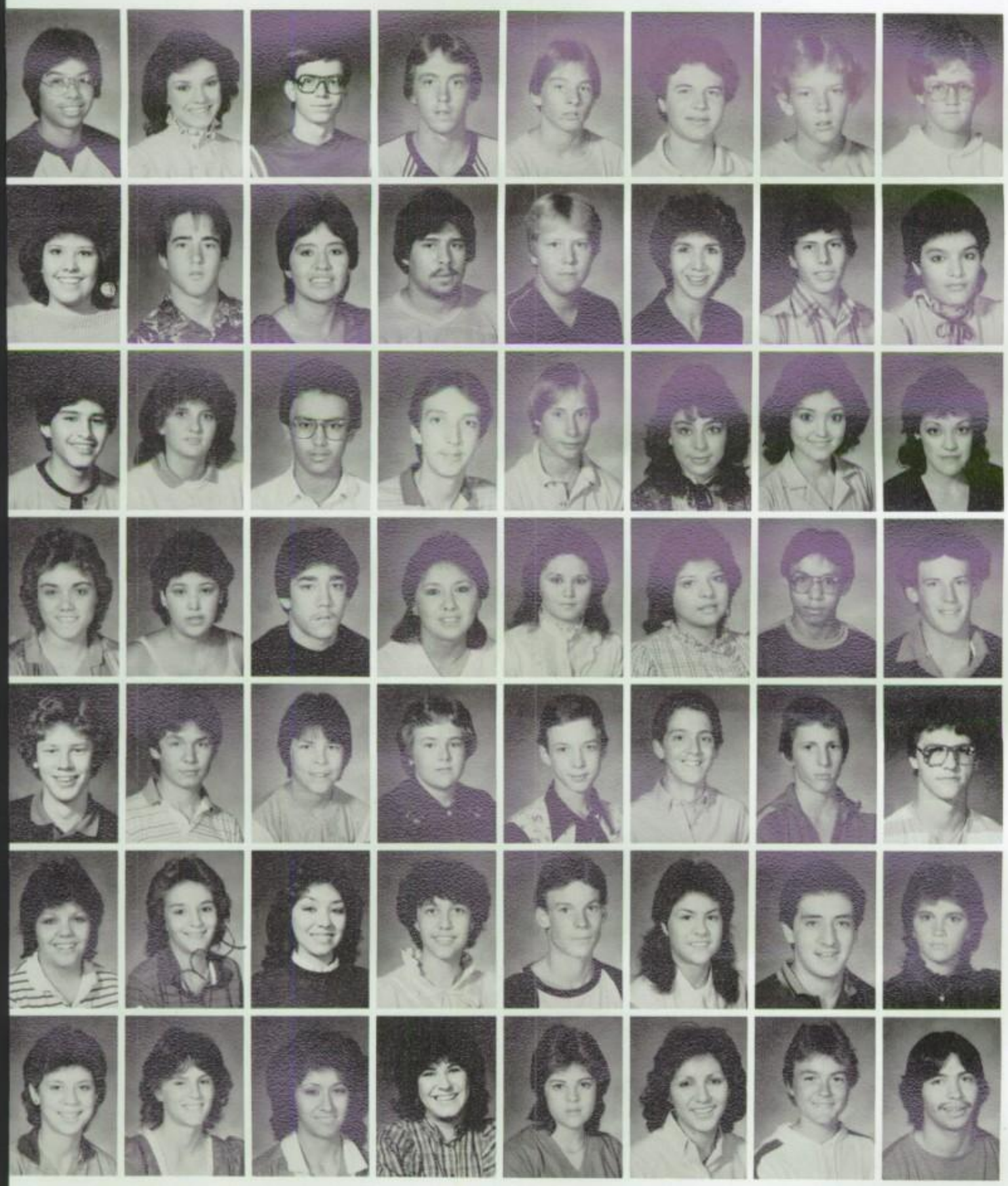
A haunted house at the Halloween Carnival brought in close to $300. "It looked great at the beginning of the night," remarked committee chairman, Barbie Martinez, "but after all the people walked through, it was a shambles."

The juniors attributed much of their success to the backing of class sponsor, Gary Walton. "He not only takes care of the money, he helps make it," emphasized Callie.

Adjusting the tombstone in the graveyard of the haunted house at the Halloween Carnival is DeWayne Torres.

"1-9-8-5" is heard throughout the gym as spirited juniors give their class yell.

JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES include: Joey Yarger, rep.; Martha Gonzales, rep.; Callie Maldonado, pres.; Traci Flores, rep.; Barbie Martinez, rep.; Louis Lopez, treas. **Not Pictured:** Melissa Rocha, vice-pres.; Damian Tellez, sec.



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Lisa Aker
David Annis
Clint Barry
Bruce Bendel
Jeff Best
Jerry Bishop
Chuck Boling

Elisa Borjon
David Bouriaque
Amalia Calderon
Fred Campbell
Brian Causer
Anna Chavez
Eddie Chavez
Jackie Connell

John Connell
Jacqueline Cooper
Mike Denogean
Xavier Denogean
Paul Dunagan
Liza Enriquez
Traci Flores
Annette Florez

Lisa Fuller
Chris Gallegos
Jason Garcia
Marlo Garcia
Alice Gonzales
Martha Gonzales
Phillip Gonzales
Reed Goodwin

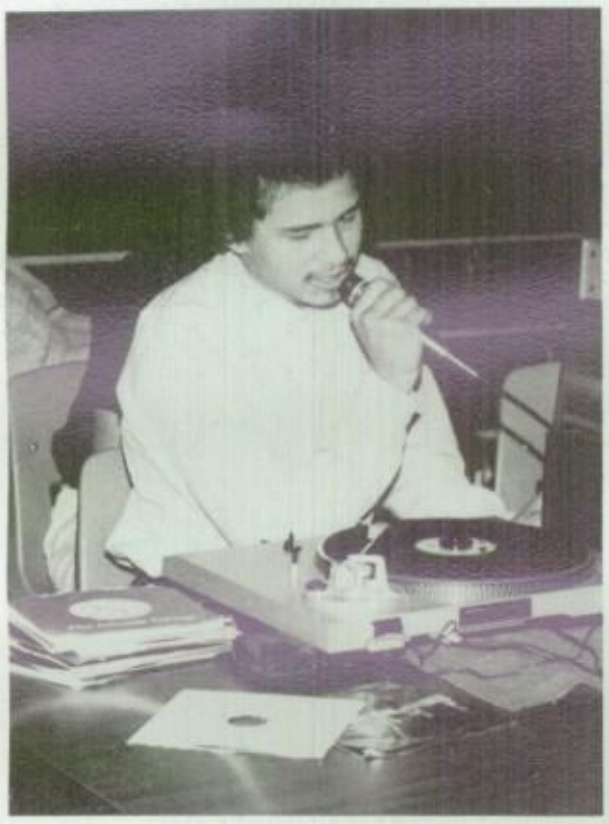
Ev Gordon
Scott Hale
Todd Hammett
Stephanie Harper
Will Harris
Chris Herrera
Leon Holliday
Alan Horn

Sandra King
Sherry Kingsley
Renade Kline
Linda Kovacs
Jimmy Leaman
Darlene Lizarraga
Louis Lopez
Kristie Maddern

Callie Maldonado
Lisa Malloque
Barbie Martinez
Stephanie Medina
Carol Mena
Diane Mendoza
Shane Milligan
Juano Morales

On Parent's Night at the last home football game, Joe Ortiz pins a corsage on his mother.

Disc jockey Chuy Luna announces the next song at the Homecoming Dance.



Michael Moreno
Yvonne Moreno
Jorge O'Leary
Janeen Ontiveros
Joe Ortiz
Dale Patterson
Laurie Peinkofer
Joe Peru

James Petty
Penny Pingleton
Vera Ramirez
Melissa Rocha
Jody Rodriguez
Marc Ruedas
Jeri Saiz
Debbie Salcido

Ramie Sanchez
Duane Sanders
Carri Short
Joann Sierra
Sandra Sierra
Debbielea Spencer
Tom Stinson
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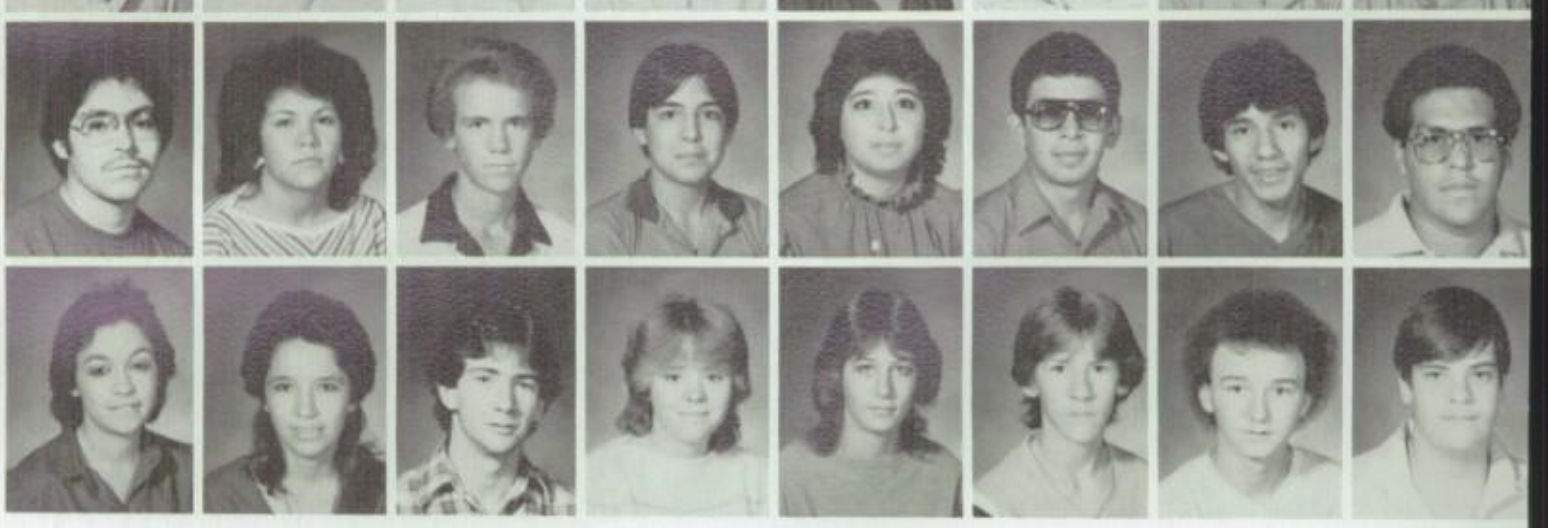

Gerrie Velasquez
Stephanie Villescas
David Williams
Audrey Windsor
Shelley Wood
Jimmy Wright
Kelly Wyatt
Joey Yarger

Not Another Form

Having to fill out form after form was a dreaded part of students' senior year as they applied for scholarships and grants.

Scholarship applications usually required students to get at least three letters of recommendation from their various teachers. "I hated to keep bugging my teachers," confessed Sherry Trujillo, "but after a while you run out of people to ask."

Seniors found that most of the paper work demanded a great deal of personal information. "Some of the questions made me laugh," admitted Leigh Ann Owen. "They didn't seem to have any meaning."

Although students hated filling out all the forms, they continued to begrudgingly do so throughout the year. But, as Ernesto Llamas admitted, "I'll be so mad if I don't get any financial aid after filling out all those forms."

Leigh Ann Owen, Tomas Borjon	September
Lorraine Moya, Fred Sanders	October
Elizabeth Peralta, Hulon Hayes	November
Gisela Kovacs, Patrick Scheier	December
Sherry Trujillo, Ricky Perkins	January
Lisa Franco, Ernesto Llamas	February
Elizabeth Abril, Tony Tedla	March
Kimberley Gullion, Ernest Barquin	April
Carolina Espinoza, Andrew Chaff	May

NHS member, Tony Tedla, lights initiate Traci Flores' candle prior to the formal ceremony.

Tomas Borjon
Kevin Farwell

Kimberly Gullion
Hulon Hayes

Ernesto Llamas
Lorraine Moya

Leigh Ann Owen
Ricky Perkins

Tony Tedla
Sherry Trujillo

Fundraising earns crown

An annual event, the Fiesta de Las Flores, was held in June. Among the high school students competing for the honor of Fiesta Queen were seniors Liz Abril and Aurelia Miranda.

In the month preceding the Fiesta, both girls spent many long hours working to earn money for the Holy Cross Parish. "My mother really helped me a lot," said a grateful Liz. "She did most of the cooking whenever we had a food sale. One day she made 27 Mexican lunch plates for the teachers at the high school."

After weeks of having bake sales, a car wash, and a raffle, Aurelia earned the title of Queen by bringing in over $1900. "I was shocked when I found out I won," she exclaimed later.

Placing the cape around Aurelia Miranda, the '83 Fiesta de Las Flores Queen, is last year's winner, Melissa Romero.

The girls also had to help make a float for the parade held the morning of the Fiesta. "We all made flowers and then got together to put them on the truck," explained Liz.

Concluding a full day of events for the Fiesta was a dance at the Morenci Club. As Queen, Aurelia reigned over the proceedings and led the traditional Grand March with her escort, Junior Villagomez.

Elizabeth Abril
Gaylene Adams
Terri Anderson
Erika Baca

Kenneth Bahschnitt
George Balentine
Diane Baray
Ernest Barquin

Michelle Batiste
Jessica Bejarano
Gary Bishop
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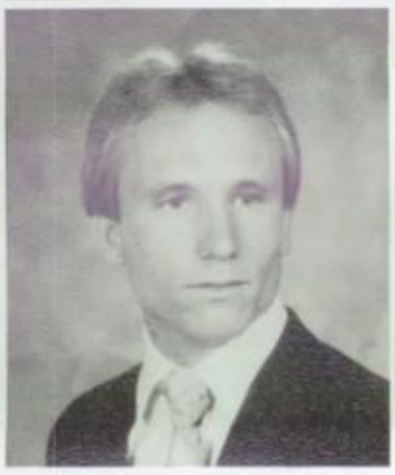

Albert Cordova
Mary Cork
Rocky Davis
Chris Dingman

Not Pictured:
Danny Delgado

Elizabeth Abril: Class Vice-President 4, Spanish Club 4, Basketball 2, Tennis 1234, Volleyball 1234, Football Homecoming Attendant 2, IGAA 234, All Conference Honorable Mention Volleyball 4, M.V.P. Volleyball 1, Class B-C Tennis Doubles State Runner-up 3, High Point Serving Award Volleyball 3. **Gaylene Marie Adams:** Marching Band 12, Concert Band 123, Pep Band 123, Flag Corps 3, Volleyball Linesman 1. **Terri Lynn Anderson:** Spanish Club 34. **Erika Baca:** Cheerleader 24, Class Treasurer 13, Choir 1234, Basketball 1, Track 1234, Volleyball 13, Football Homecoming Attendant 4, Outstanding Choir Member 3. **Kenneth Bahschnitt:** Football 1234, Track Manager 3, Wrestling 1234, 1000 Club 2, Most Valuable Lineman 4, First Team All-Conference Wrestling 3, First Team All-Conference Football 4. **George Barney Balentine:** Basketball 2, Football 234, Track 13, All-Conference Honorable Mention Football 4. **Diane Denise Baray:** Cheerleader 1, Class Secretary 2, Spanish Club 1234, Football Stats 23, Track 3, Honor Roll 1234, SNHS 234, Outstanding Home Ec. Student 3. **Ernest Neal Barquin:** Basketball 124, Football 1234, Track 1234, Football Homecoming Attendant 4, Junior Prom Attendant 3, Letter Club 1234. **Michelle Simone Batiste:** Transferred from Vero Beach High School, Florida 1, Marching Band 2, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 12, Cheerleader 234, Student Council 4, Class Representative 4, Drama Club 124, Play Cast 14, Basketball Stats 2, Track 234, Football Homecoming Attendant 4, IGAA 34. **Jessica Yvonne Bejarano:** Transferred from Safford High School 2, Choir 4. **Gary L. Bishop:** Baseball 2, AFS 4. **Tomas Ivan Borjon:** Marching Band 123, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 12, Chess Team 2, Basketball 1234, Football 1234, Track 234, Anytown 3, Honor Roll 12, Junior Rotarian 4, Letter Club 34, Wildcat Award Track 2, Outstanding Middle Distance Track 3, First Team All-Conference Football 4, Wildcat Award Football 4. **Michael Lee Burkett:** Football 123, Track Manager 3, Wrestling 1234, 1000 Club 34, Letter Club 1234. **David Andrew Chaff:** Football 1234, Track 234, Wrestling 234, 1000 Club 1234, 1200 Club 1234, Football Homecoming King 4, Junior Prom Attendant 3, Letter Club 234, Most Improved Wrestler 2, Outstanding Wrestler 3, Most Pins Award Wrestling 3, Most Improved Football 2, Outstanding Linebacker 4, First Team All-Conference Wrestling 3, First Team All-Conference Football 34, Class B State Wrestling Champ 34. **Vincent Thomas Chavez:** Student Council 2, Class Representative 2, Class Secretary 4, Letter Club 234, Letter Club President 4, Baseball 2, Basketball 1, Football 1234, Track 3, Wrestling 234, Football Homecoming Attendant 4, M.V.P. Football 1, Most Improved Wrestler 3, Booster Award Football 4, All-Conference Wrestling Honorable Mention 3, All-Conference Football Honorable Mention 4. **Kathleen Anne Clayton:** AFS 1, Marching Band 12, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 12, Drama Club 1, French Club 34, French Club Vice-President 4, Science Club 1, TRAGYC 1, Basketball Stats 1, Track 1, Tennis 2, Honor Roll 234. **Albert J. Cordova:** Spanish Club 1234, Track 1, Junior Prom Attendant 3. **Mary Coleen Cork:** Transferred from Hellgate High School, Montana 24, AFS 24, Copper Cat 2, Drama Club 4, Stage Crew 4, Student Play Director 4, Choir 24, Pep Club 2, Basketball Manager 2, Track Manager 2, Honor Roll 2. **Rocky E. Davis:** Transferred from Duncan High School 1, Wrestling 34, 1000 Club 3, Letter Club 34, Class B State Wrestling 4th Place 3. **Danny Delgado:** Drama Club 1, Track 24. **John Christopher Dingman:** Marching Band 34, Pep Band 34, Drum Major 4, Chess Team 12, Class Vice-President 1, Track 1, Wrestling Manager 4.

Champion licorice chewers, Vincent Chavez and Lorraine Moya, get close to the end in the class competition held at a pep assembly.

Tammy Esparza
Angela Espinoza
Becky Espinoza
Carolina Espinoza

Kevin Farwell
Lisa Franco
Lori Fuller
Steve Gamblin

Gabriel Garcia
Dale Garner
Michael Giacoletti
Katherine Gonzales

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Darwin King
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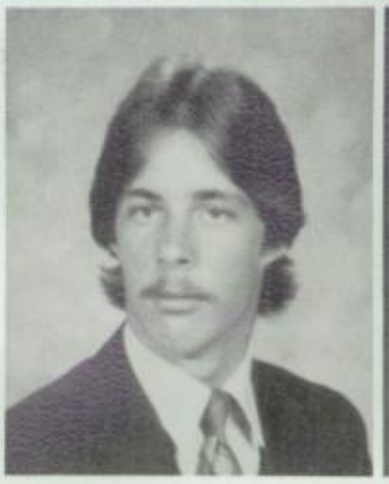


Not Pictured:
Robert Gutierrez
Jack Kiesling

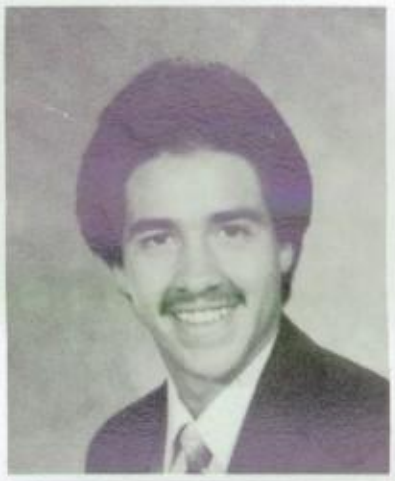
Summer at the U

Placing the symbolic dunce cap on Ernesto Llamas' head is Ricky Perkins.

Four seniors decided to see what college life was all about by attending '83 summer session classes at the U of A.

Competing against college students, Ricky Perkins got an A in philosophy and had the highest average in the class. Kim Gullion also did well, receiving an A in psychology and a B in public speaking.

Not faring nearly as well, however, were Tony Tedla and Ernesto Llamas. "We learned that partying instead of studying gets you nowhere," admitted Tony.



Cory Licano

Paula Licano

Ernesto Llamas

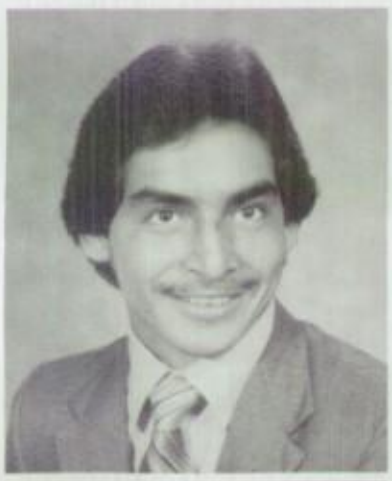
Anna Lopez

Mary Ann Lopez

Tammy Ann Esparza: Flag Corps 23, Choir 34, Volleyball Manager 4. **Angela L. Espinoza:** Spanish Club 1234, Spanish Club Secretary 4, Basketball 123, Tennis 234, Volleyball 1234, Volleyball 1st Team All-Conference 4, MVP Volleyball 4, SNHS 234. **Anna Carolina Espinoza:** Drama Club 4, Spanish Club 4, Basketball 1234, Track 1234, Volleyball 1234, IGAA 234, Basketball Homecoming Attendant 3, Booster Award Volleyball 4. **Becky Lynn Espinoza. Kevin Edward Farwell:** Marching Band 12, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 12, Jazz Band 1, Chess Team 1, Copper Cat 1234, Photographer 123, Co-Head Photographer 4, Baseball 2, Track 14, Letter Club 234, Quill and Scroll 34. **Lisa Ann Franco:** Spanish Club 34, Drama Club 4, Football Homecoming Attendant 4, Basketball Sweetheart Attendant 3, Junior Rotarian 4. **Lori Fuller. Steve E. Gamblin:** Copper Cat 1234, Photographer 1234, Football 1234, Track 134, Wrestling 12, 1000 Club 3, Letter Club 234, Quill and Scroll 34, 2nd Team All-Conference Football 4, Most Valuable Defensive Lineman Football 4. **Gabriel Garcia:** Baseball 1234, Basketball 1234, Football 14, Letter Club 34, 1st Team All-Conference Football 4, 2nd Team All-Conference Basketball 3, 2nd Team All-Conference Baseball 3, EAC Holiday Tournament All-Tourney Team 4. **James Dale Garner:** Transferred from Eagle Mt. High School, California 1, Baseball 34, Football 134, 1000 Club 34, 2nd Team All-State Football 4, 2nd Team All-State Baseball 3. **Michael Ray Giacoletti:** Drama Club 1, Play Cast 1, Stage Crew 1, Football Homecoming Attendant 4. **Katherine Alicia Gonzales:** Transferred from Duncan High School 3, Choir 3. **Lorraine Gonzales:** Choir 2, Spanish Club 12, Track 1234, Volleyball 123, IGAA 234, SNHS 234. **Kimberley Jo Gullion:** AFS Member 1234, Publicity Chairman 34, Marching Band 1234, Concert Band 1234, Pep Band 1234, Drama Club 123, Play Cast 12, Stage Crew 123, Spanish Club 1234, Anytown 3, Honor Roll 1234, SNHS 234, National History Day Contest 3, Perfect Attendance 3, U of A Certificate of Achievement 3, Track Mgr. 4. **Robert Gutierrez. Hulon Taylor Hayes:** AFS Member 1, French Club 234, TRAGYC Club 12, Honor Roll 1234, NHS 34, Junior Rotarian 4. **James D. Holman:** Football 123, Wrestling 1. **Shirley Ann Hunter:** Transferred from Oakhurst High School, California 4. **Anthony Ross James:** Baseball 1234, Football 1234, Wrestling 124, Letter Club 34. **Jack Warren Kiesling:** Chess Team 3, 1000 Club 2. **Darwin Wayne King:** Football 1, Track 34. **Gisela Maria Kovacs:** AFS Member 1234, Vice-President 3, Drama Club 1234, Play Cast 123, Stage Crew 1234, French Club 1234, President 4, Chess Club 4, Science Club 123, Honor Roll 1234, Junior Rotarian 4, Tennis 4. **Cory Timothy Licano:** Marching Band 12, Basketball 1234, Football 1234, Track 123, Letter Club 1234, MVP Basketball 1, 2nd Team All-Conference Football 4, Outstanding Offensive Back 4. **Paula Lorene Licano:** Choir 12, Volleyball 1. **Jesus Ernesto Llamas:** Chess Team 234, Copper Cat 1234, Co-Editor-in-Chief 4, Managing Editor 3, Subscription Manager 2, Drama Club 4, Play Cast 4, Spanish Club 34, Football 12, Tennis 234, Boys' State 3, Honor Roll 1234, NHS 34, Quill and Scroll 34, Junior Rotarian 4, SNHS 34, ASU Outstanding Junior Award 3, Spanish Award 23. **Anna Marie Lopez:** Marching Band 2, Student Council 3, Class Treasurer 4, Class Representative 3, Junior Prom Attendant 3, Honor Roll 4. **Mary Ann Lopez:** Marching Band 12, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 12, Cheerleader 4, Whiskers 2, Pom Pons 2, Basketball 1, Track 34, Volleyball 12, Junior Prom Attendant 3.

The ace of diamonds, Gisela Kovacs, tries to figure out how to sit down on Halloween.

Frank Pierre Maldonado: Student Council 12, Class President 1, Class Representative 2, Baseball 12, Basketball 1, Football 1234, Wrestling 234, Football Homecoming Attendant 4, Junior Prom Attendant 3, Letter Club 34. **Anna Christina Martinez:** Spanish Club 34, SNHS 34. **Richard Ray Martinez:** Basketball 234, Football 24. **Deborah Ann McDowell:** Choir 3. **Tommy Medina. John A. Merino:** Basketball 1234, Football 1234, Track 1234, Letter Club 1234. **Aurelia Miranda:** Choir 34, Football Homecoming Attendant 4. **Bobert A. Montoya:** Marching Band 12, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 12, Basketball Manager 12, Football 2. **Leonard C. Morales:** Student Council 2, Class Representative 2, Baseball 1234, Football 1234, Basketball 12, Wrestling 34, Football Homecoming Attendant 3, Junior Prom Attendant 3, Letter Club 234, MVP JV Football 2, MVP JV Baseball 3, All-Conference Honorable Mention Football 4, Hustle Award Football 4. **Veronica Morales:** Transferred from Pioneer High School, California 4. **Ronald Arellano Moran:** Track 4, 1000 Club 4. **Lorraine Moya:** Transferred from Bell Gardens High School, California 2, Student Council 4, Class President 4, Class Vice-President 3, Copper Cat 34, Senior Sec. Ed. 4, Drama Club 2, Stage Crew 2, Spanish Club 34, Spanish Club President 3, Vice-President 4, Tennis 234, Football Homecoming Attendant 3, Junior Prom Queen 3, Girls' State 3, Honor Roll 234, NHS 4, Junior Rotarian 4, Quill and Scroll 4, SNHS 234, Spanish Award 2, Outstanding History Student 3, Outstanding World History 3, NAU Scholarship 4. **Charlotte Leigh Ann Owen:** Cheerleader 234, Student Council 1234, Class President 2, Class Secretary 1, Class Representative 3, Student Council President 4, Copper Cat 1234, Photographer 123, Co-Head Photographer 4, Drama Club 4, Basketball 1, Track 12, Track Stats 34, Basketball Sweetheart Attendant 234, Anytown 3, Honor Roll 1234, NHS 34, Junior Rotarian 4, IGAA 34, Quill and Scroll 34, English III Award 3, DAR Outstanding Citizen Award 4, U of A President's Award for Excellence 4. **Andres William Padilla:** Track 2, **Christina Ray Parsons:** Student Council 1, Class Representative 1, Tennis 34, IGAA 34. **Anna Pena:** Choir 4. **Elizabeth A. Peralta:** Student Council 1, Class Representative 1, Choir 2, Basketball 1234, Track 1234, Volleyball 1234, Football Homecoming Queen 4, Junior Prom Attendant 3, Basketball Sweetheart Attendant 3, Honor Roll 14, Junior Rotarian 4, IGAA 1234, Captain's Award Basketball 3, Captain's Award Volleyball 4, All State Track 3, Champ State Discus 3. **David Richard Perkins:** AMUN 34, Marching Band 123, Concert Band 123, Pep Band 123, Chess Team 1234, Copper Cat 1234, Co-Ed-in-Chief 4, Managing Editor 3, Business Manager 2, Drama Club 4, Play Cast 4, Student Council 4, Class Representative 4, Tennis 234, Anytown 3, Honor Roll 1234, NHS 34, Junior Rotarian 4, Quill and Scroll 34, WOW History Award 3, Top Ten State Math Contest 1, Top 10% State Math Contest 234, Chemistry I Award 3, English III Medal 3, National Merit Finalist 4, U of A President's Scholarship 4. **Paul Anthony Peru. Cheryl Price.**



Frank Maldonado

Anna Martinez

Tough act to follow

Attempting to follow in the class of 83's footsteps is Lorraine Moya.

"I'm tired of being compared to last year's seniors," remarked Aurelia Miranda, voicing a feeling shared by many in the class of '84.

It was true that the faculty and administration considered the class of '83 an exceptional group of seniors — a group that could not easily be replaced. "I don't think the teachers expected much from us this year," admitted Melissa Romero. "We've had a reputation for being kind of a bad class."

"We are rather lazy as a whole," observed Lisa Franco. "I agree!" said Lorraine Moya. "A couple of people always end up having to do everything."

"We definitely miss last year's seniors at the basketball games," exclaimed Leigh Ann Owen. "They did all the yelling."

Richard Martinez
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Tommy Medina
John Merino

Aurelia Miranda
Bobert Montoya
Leonard Morales
Ronald Moran

Lorraine Moya
Leigh Ann Owen
Christina Parsons
Anna Pena

Elizabeth Peralta
Richard Perkins
Paul Peru
Cheryl Price

Not Pictured:
Veronica Morales
Andres Padilla

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES include: **FRONT ROW:** Lorraine Moya, pres.; Liz Abril, vice-pres.; Anna Lopez, treas.; Michelle Batiste, rep. **2ND:** Chris Scott, rep.: Vincent Chavez, sec.; Frank Maldonado, rep.; Ricky Perkins, rep.

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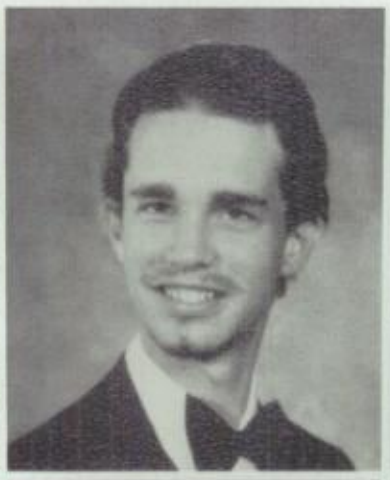
Santiago Robledo
Marla Ross Rodriguez
Brent Roman



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Melissa Romero
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Donna Saiz

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Tonya Michele Price: AFS 2, Marching Band 123, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 123, Flag Corps 23, Volleyball Linesman 12. **Santiago Ernesto Robledo:** Football 3. **Marla Ross Rodriguez:** Basketball 23, Choir 2, Track 1, Volleyball 123, Class Treasurer 2. **Brent Lujan Roman:** Football 1234, Track Manager 4, Wrestling 2, 1000 Club 34, Letter Club 34, Junior Prom Attendant 3. **Charley Romero:** Track 34. **Melissa Ann Romero:** Marching Band 13, Concert Band 123, Pep Band 13, Student Council 3, Class President 3, Drama Club 1, Play Cast 1, Pom Pons 2, Spanish Club 124, Spanish Club President 4, Junior Prom Attendant 3, Honor Roll 1234, IGAA 234, SNHS 2, Basketball Sweetheart Attendant 4. **Victor Edwin Ruedas:** Football Stats 34, Wrestling 23. **Donna Jean Saiz:** Track 1234, Volleyball 234, IGAA 1234, Class Vice-President 2, Class Secretary 3, Drama Club 12. **James Anthony Saiz:** Track 1234, Football 1, Football Manager 34, Wrestling 12, Letter Club 1234, Spanish Club 1. **Frederick E. Sanders:** AFS Publicity Chairman 12, Marching Band 12, Concert Band 12, Baseball 1234, Basketball 12 Football 1234, Wrestling 34, 1000 Club 1234, 1200 Club 234, Junior Prom King 3, 1st Team All-Conference Football 34, Captain's Award Football 34, Boys' State 3, Junior Rotarian 4, Letter Club 234. **Patrick Michael Scheier:** Marching Band 12, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 12, Jazz Band 12, Chess Team 1234, Drama Club 1234, Play Cast 14, Stage Crew 1234, Science Club 123, Boys' State 3, Honor Roll 23, Junior Rotarian 4, Drafting I Award 3, AFS 12. **Christopher John Scott:** Student Council 4, Class Representative 4, Basketball Manager 4, Football 1234, Honor Roll 12, Letter Club 34, Current Events Award 3, All-Conference Honorable Mention Football 4. **Jeanie Marie Synder:** Choir 4. **Shawn Jeanette Spencer:** Transferred from Cholla High School 4, Drama Club 4, Stage Crew 4. **Anthony Todd Tedla:** Chess Team 12, Student Council 4, Class Representative 4, Copper Cat 1234, Advertising Manager 2, Sports Editor 34, Drama Club 12, Stage Crew 12, Science Club 12, Basketball Manager 1, Football 1234, Wrestling Manager 2, Wrestling Stats 34, Most Improved Varsity Football 4, All-Conference 2nd Team Football 4, Honor Roll 1234, NHS 34, Junior Rotarian 4, Letter Club 234, Quill & Scroll 34, NAU Publications Camp 1. **Brenda Sue Tomlin:** Volleyball Manager 1, Track 1, Choir 1234, Most Outstanding Choir 3, Drama Club 4, Stage Crew 4. **Sherry Lynn Trujillo:** AMUN 23, Marching Band 123, Concert Band 123, Pep Band 123, Cheerleader 12, Student Council 34, Class Representative 3, Student Council Vice-President 4, Copper Cat 1234, Freshman Sec. Ed. 23, Senior Sec. Ed. 4, Spanish Club 4, Girls' State 3, Basketball Sweetheart Attendant 4, Junior Prom Attendant 3, Honor Roll 1234, Quill & Scroll 34, SNHS 234, Typing Award I, NHS 34, Junior Rotarian 4, Spanish Award 12, Biology Award 2, Algebra II Award 3, General Academic Scholarship to U of A, ASU, & NAU Outstanding Junior Award 3. **Johnny Valdez:** Football 12. **Monica Rose Vasquez:** Marching Band 12, Concert Band 12, Pep Band 12, Basketball Stats 124. **Johnny H. Velasquez:** Baseball 12, Football 124, Wrestling 1234, Letter Club 4. **Melissa Verdugo:** Marching Band 2, Cheerleader 1, Basketball Stats 34, Junior Prom Attendant 3. **Junior Villagomez:** Baseball 2, Basketball 34, Football 12, Track 4, Letter Club 4. **Gary S. Wene:** Drama Club 1, Stage Crew 1, TRAGYC 1. **Paul Lane Zale:** Science Club 1, Track 234, Wrestling 234, Drama Club 1, Stage Crew 1.

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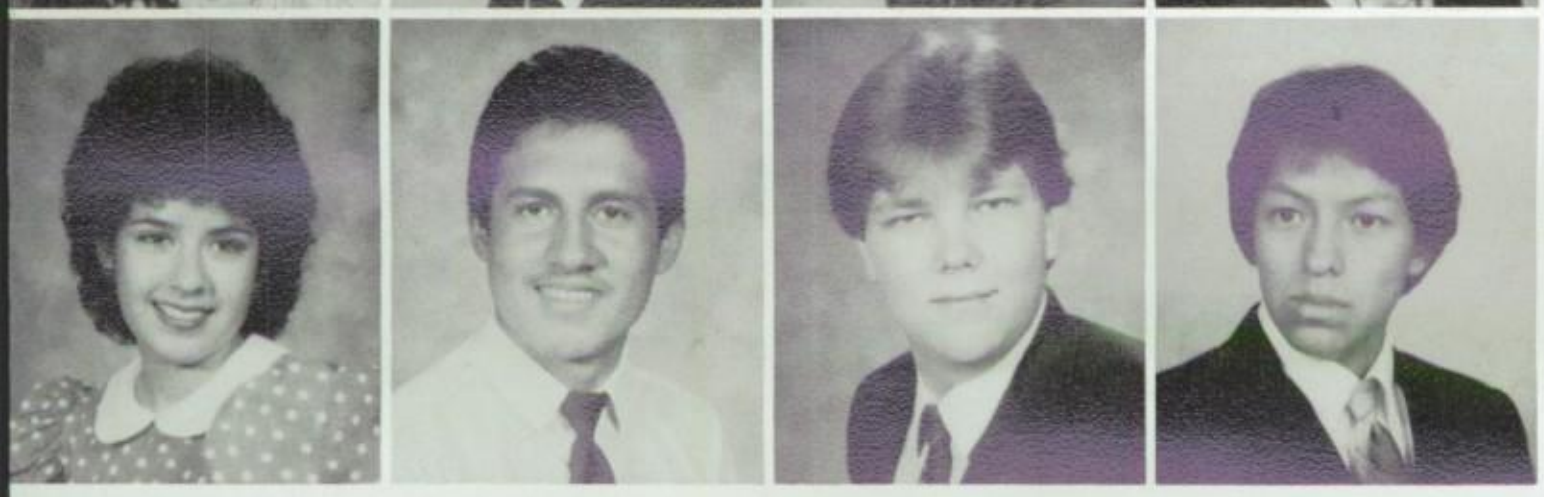

Melissa Verdugo
Junior Villagomez
Gary Wene
Paul Zale

Not Pictured:
Shawn Spencer

California here we come

A trip to California following graduation was a goal shared by 25 seniors who worked during the year to raise the necessary $198 each. Car washes, bake sales, a yard sale, and a raffle were held to help pay for the trip.

With Disneyland, Catalina Island, and Magic Mountain on the itinerary, " . . . it should be an experience I'll never forget," remarked Albert Cordova. And, as Melissa Verdugo declared, "It will be the last time I'll be together with all my friends."

Sorting items to be sold at a yard sale are Michelle Batiste, Terri Anderson, and Anna Lopez.

Following the acceptance of the Row Award by student body president Leigh Ann Owen and athletic director Tom Powers, principal John Glodis shows the trophy to the crowd at the homecoming game. MHS won the traveling trophy for excellence in its interscholastic programs during the '82-83 school year.

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Completely demolished by the flood, Sears relocated in the old donut shop and reopened within two weeks. The Rode Inn once again rebuilt the bottom floor of the motel, and Riley's Drug set up business in the old JC Penney store. Never failing to put out an issue, even if it was only one mimeographed page, the **Copper Era** was back in full production before Christmas.

With so many people asking the question: "Will Clifton and Morenci be able to survive?", Greenlee County merchants continued to show an amazing resilience.

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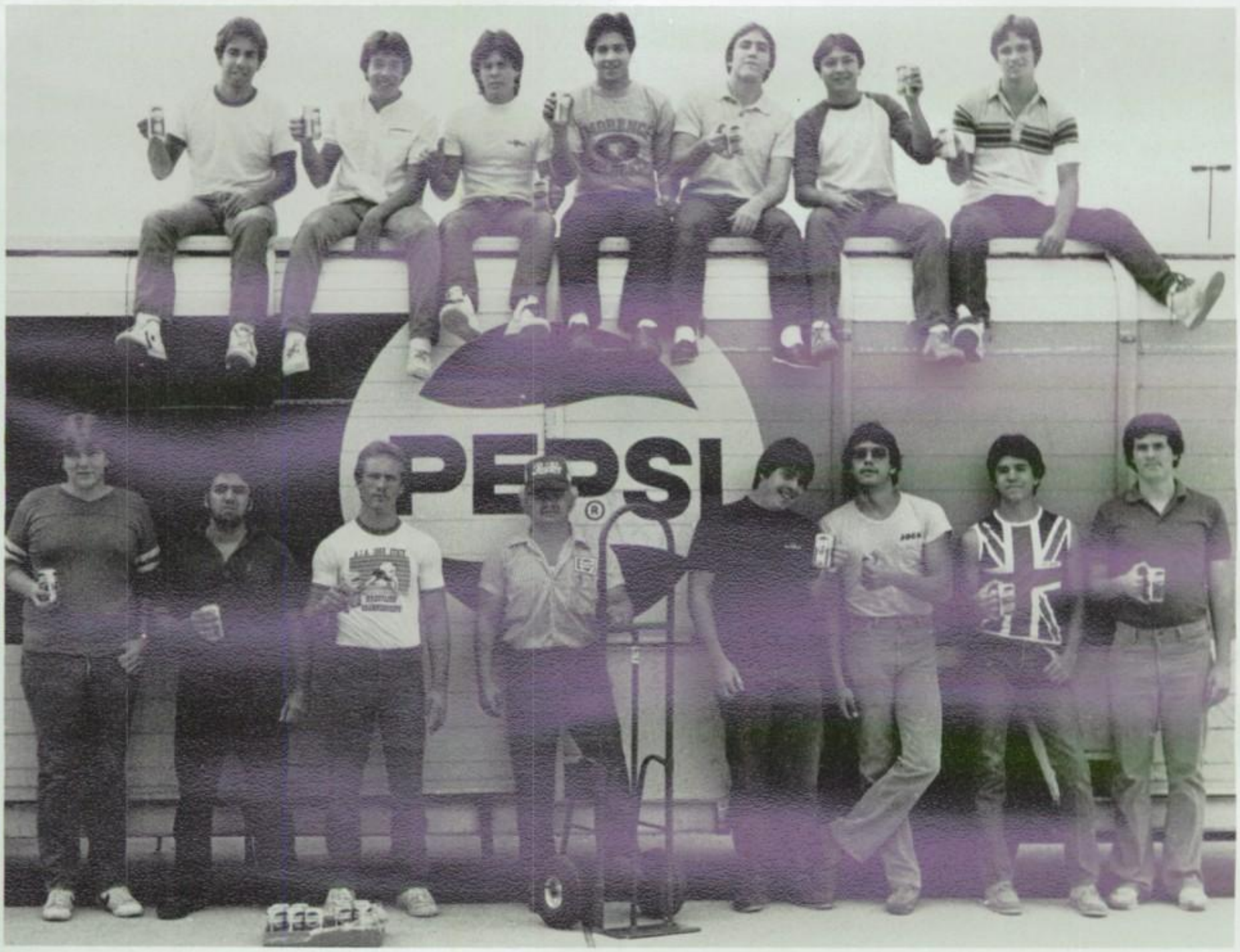

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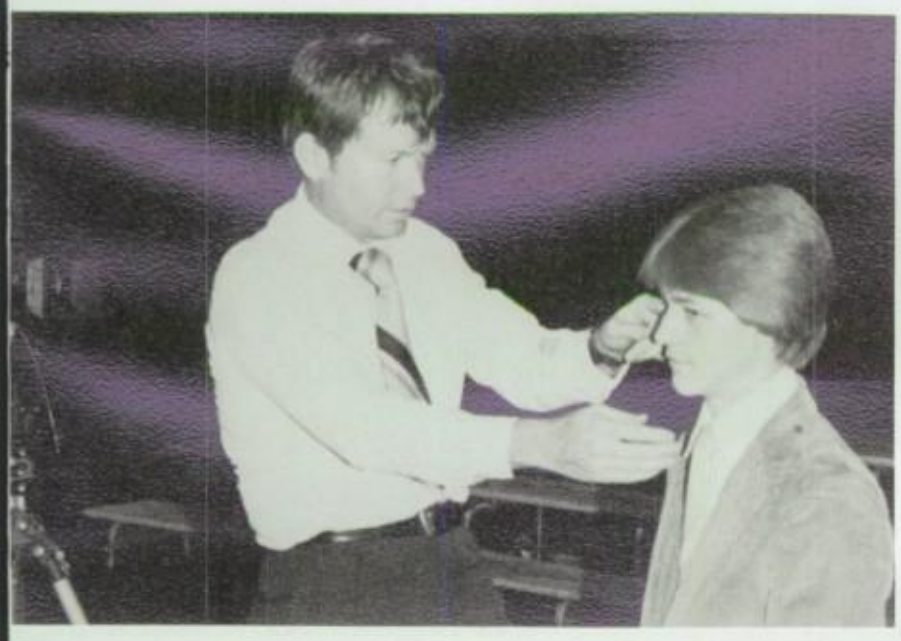

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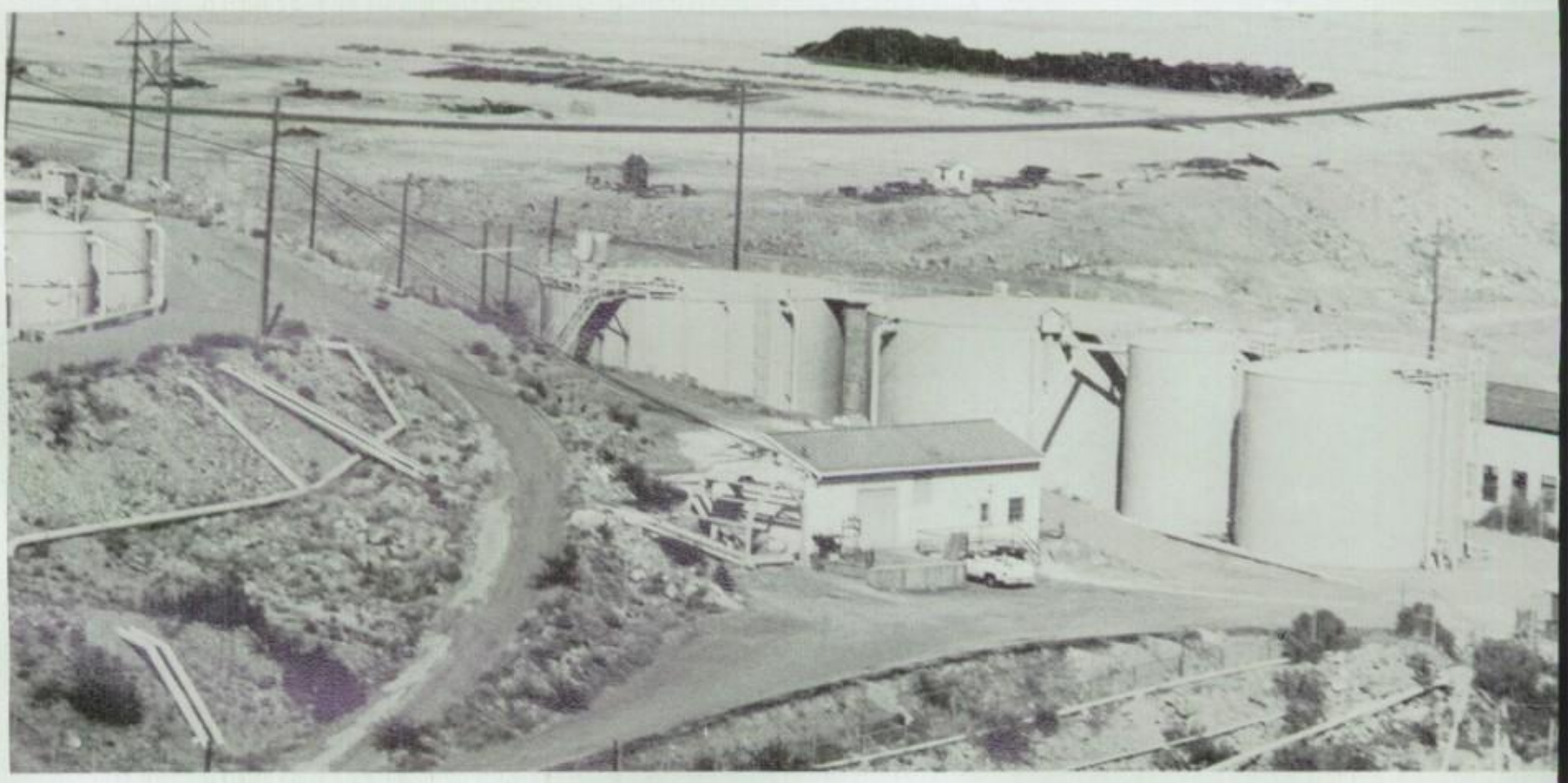

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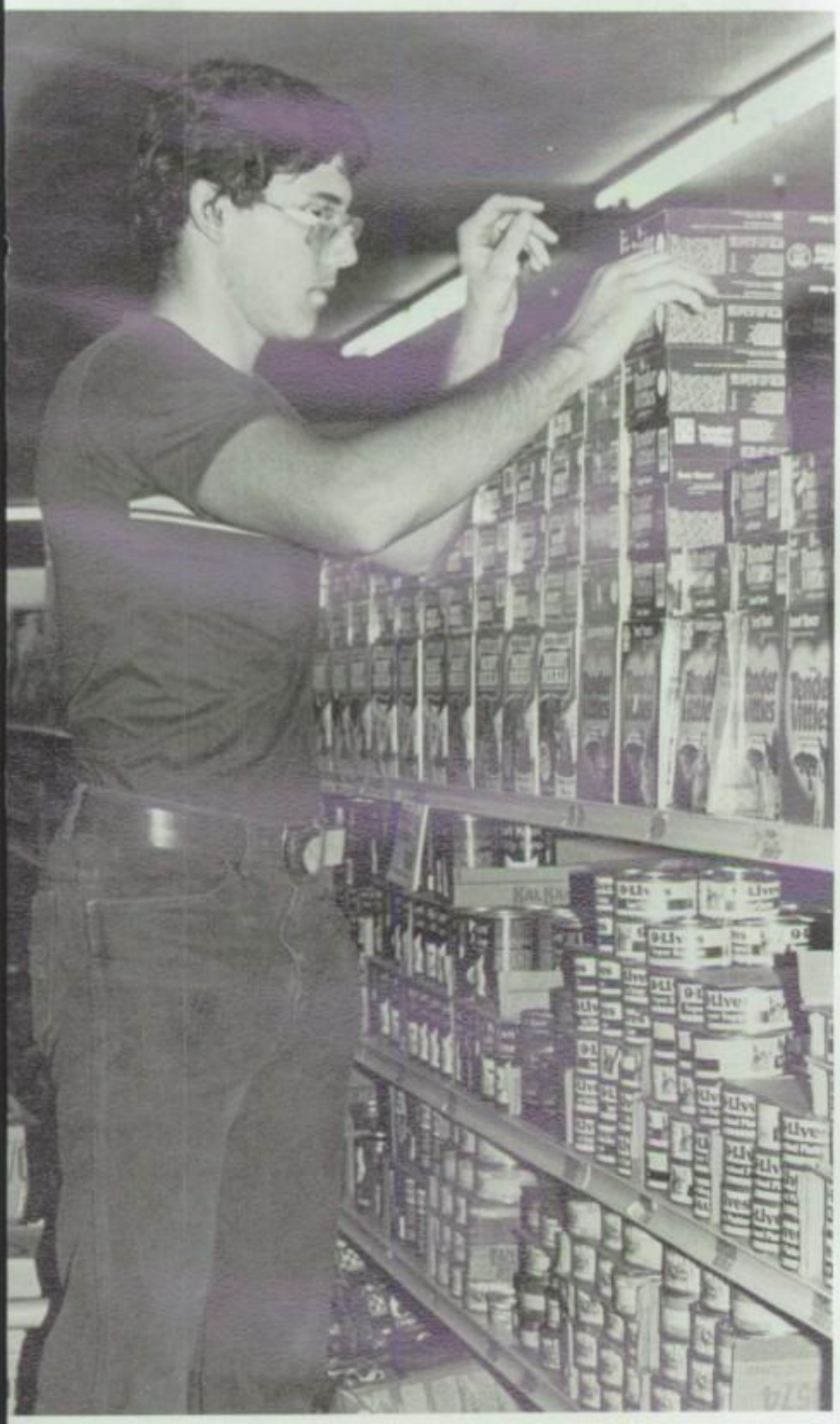

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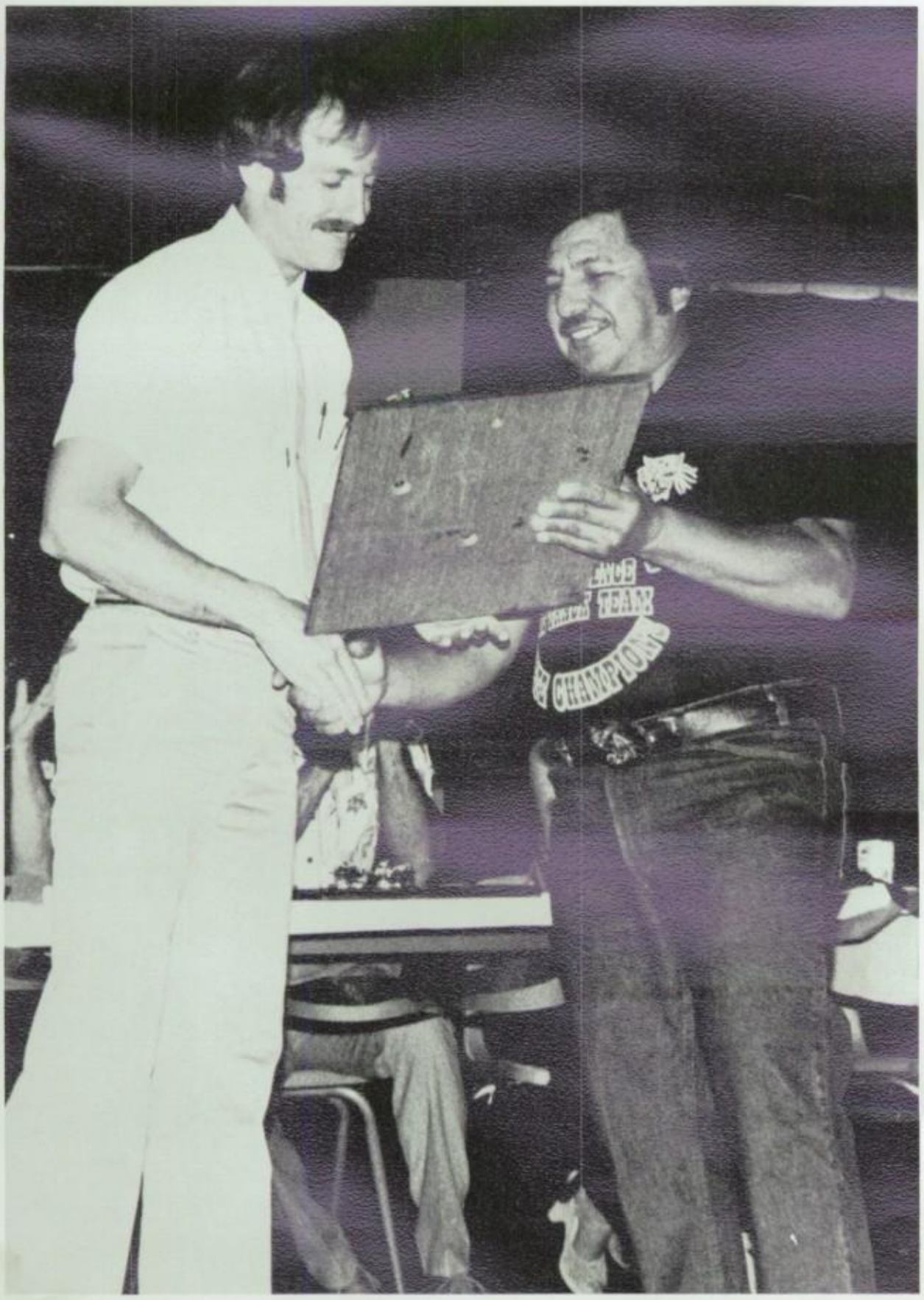
With president Moose Saiz at the helm for the seventh consecutive year, the Boosters' Club continued its support of local athletes.

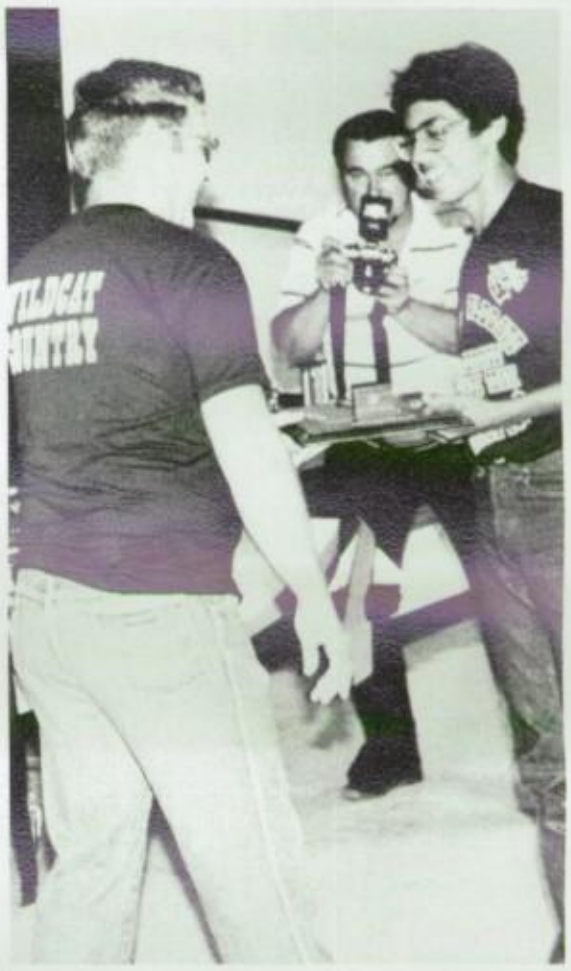
The club continued to hold a fall, winter, and spring sports banquet. They also sponsored three track meets at the high school and both a volleyball and a basketball tournament at Fairbanks Middle School.

Wildcat belt buckles were raffled off at home football and basketball games. Funds from raffles and concession sales were used to buy trophies and medals for award-winning athletes in all sports.

Other club officers for the year included: Bill Kingsley, vice-president; Tigi Verdugo, secretary; and Virginia Saiz, treasurer.



Accepting an award from Bill Kingsley is Hector Salazar, state champ in both the 1600 and 3200 meter runs.



Holding the bag while senior Carolina Espinoza draws the winning ticket for an autographed volleyball is Leroy Saiz.

Boosters' Club president, Moose Saiz, presents Dave Woodall with a plaque commemorating the boys' state championship in track.

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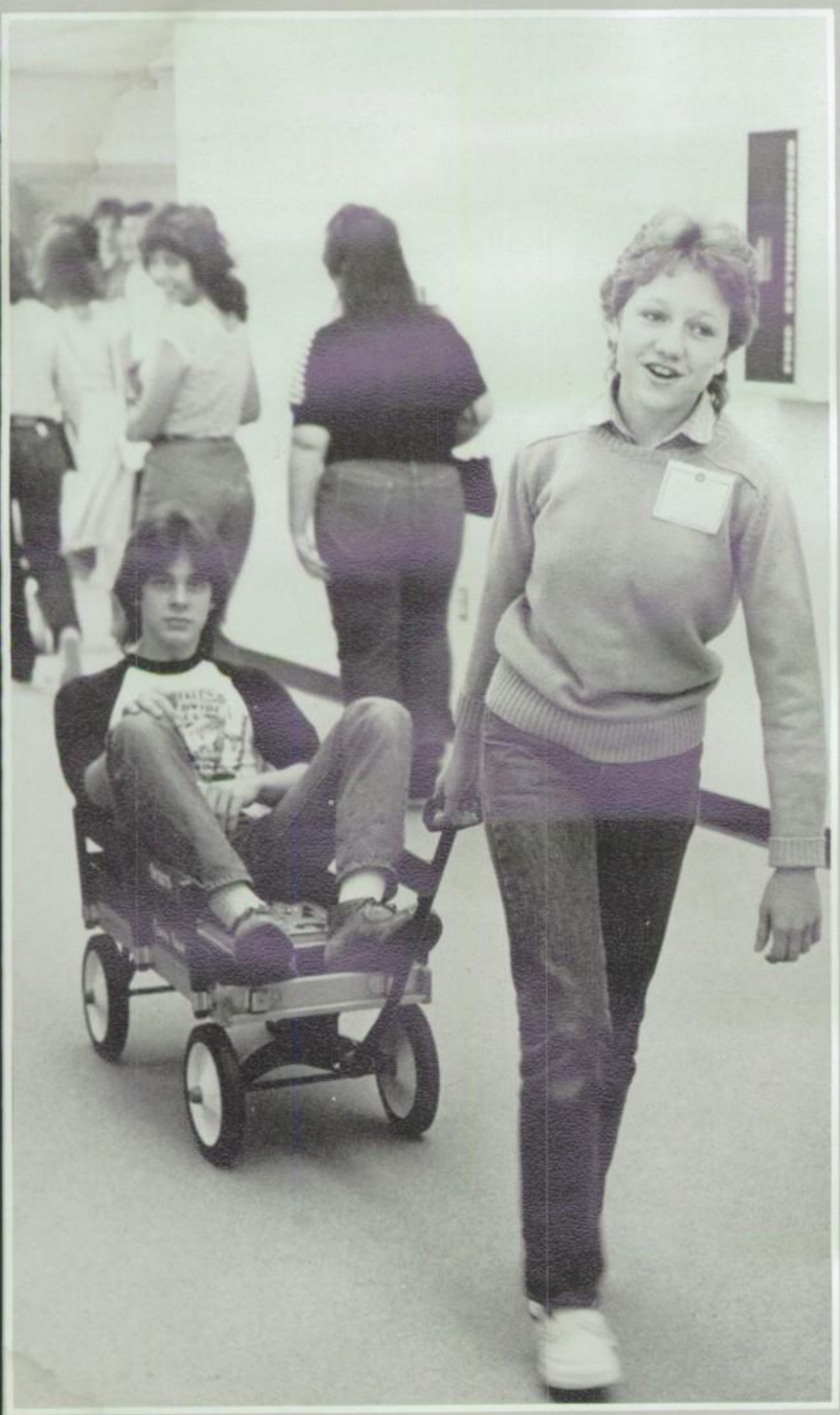

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Editors' Note

Completing a yearbook in this difficult year was not an easy task. We had to deal with late-breaking news, missed deadlines, some hard knocks, and short tempers which sometimes brought us nearly to each other's throats. But, with the help and hard work of some very dedicated people, we were finally able to finish the book.

First, we thank our adviser, Mrs. Sandra Hudgens, who was willing to do whatever it took to make this the best yearbook it could possibly be. She was always there to give advice, push us, or force us, if necessary, to get our pages in on time.

Also, we deeply appreciate the help of Mr. Roy Faulkner, our bookkeeper; Mr. Virgil Cork, our "technical" adviser; all our patrons who contributed important funds to the book; and all other people not specifically mentioned, but who, in some way, made contributions to the final product.

Finally, to our staff, we say this: We made it! You had to put up with a lot of things this year, not the least of which was our strange sense of humor. And, from our ad trips, you learned just how coordinated we really are! We extend our deepest thanks to everyone for working so hard.

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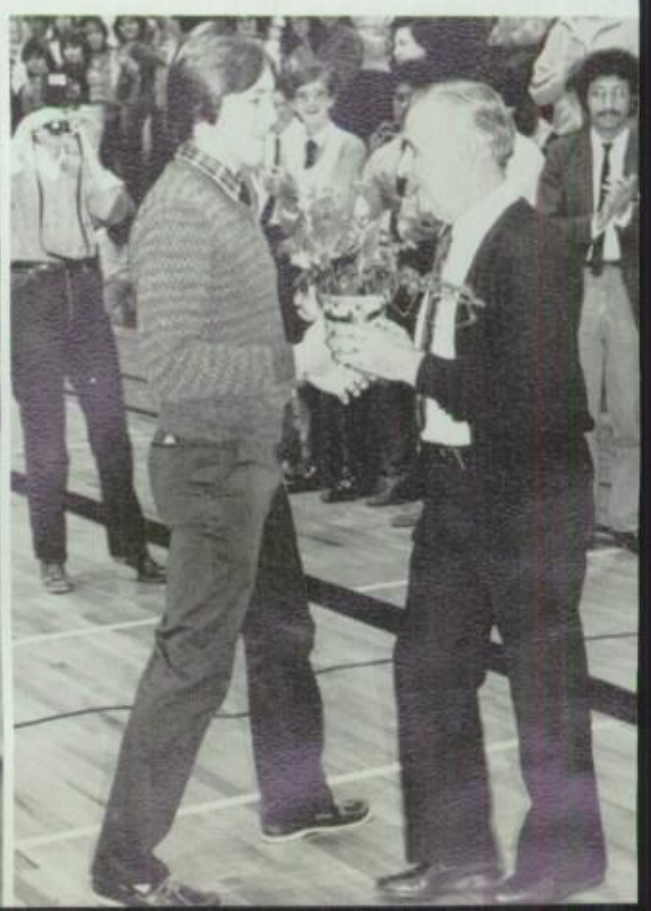
At his retirement dinner, Vernon Schultz is presented with a copper tray. Looking on, John Washington admires the gift.

"1-9-8-4, we'll be great forever more!" The senior yell echoes throughout the gym at a pep assembly.

Our Last Time Together . . .

Cast and crew members of the play "You Can't Take It With You," present director Ruth Eaves with a gift following the group's last performance.

Following his speech at the basketball homecoming assembly, Joe Galusky accepts a token of appreciation from Tony Tedla.



After a disappointing loss in the Class B state semifinals, Fred Sanders is consoled by cheerleader Mary Ann Lopez.

Dressed in costumes on Halloween, students have a hard time controlling their grins as they attempt to finish their English assignment.

and what a time it has been!

Events since the end of the last school year have changed Morenci drastically, maybe permanently. Our area has been transformed from a nonentity to the PLACE where "the strike" and "the flood" happened.

Adjusting to this new Morenci has been difficult, at times frustrating. It began with TV cameras focusing on a locale that had never before received such attention. It ended with the future of the town and the state of the school very much up in the air.

Adjusting has been harder for some than for others. It has brought many people closer together and pushed others worlds apart. It has been a "make" or "break" year. For some, it has meant being driven to the point of giving up. Others have, through the adversity, found the strength to find themselves and accomplish many things.

Throughout the year, our school has overcome the obstacles and achieved much of which we can be proud.

Basketball homecoming queen, Mary Cork, receives a congratulatory hug from Liz Peralta, the football homecoming queen.

An apple and a flower are presented to Roberta Troxell on "Teacher Appreciation Day," by student council members Francis Borjon and Kelly Baker.

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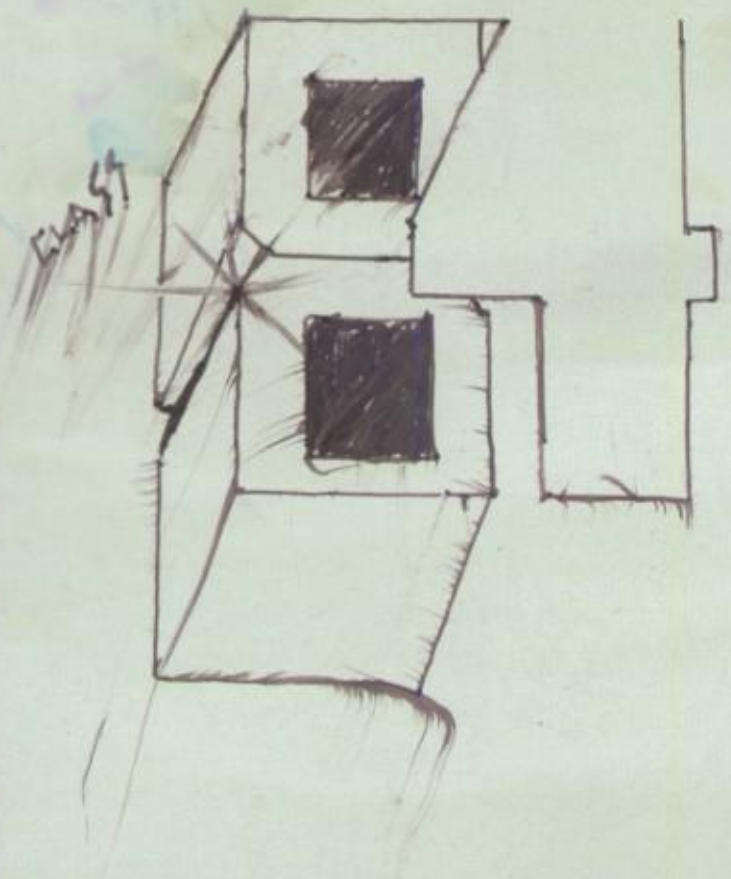

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JOCKO:
There seems like so much to say that just a few sentences on the page aren't going to do. We've had so many good + bad times to go through... and we still like each other! HA! HA!
But really, Jock, even though I never break away from laughing & freaking out enough to tell you that I care for you a lot. I hope you stay in touch with me, you showed me how to appreciate drugs like nobody else (Not really) Well right now I'm bunged and were jamming to the Scorpions! I hope if nothing else you remember me for those two things. Take care, God Bless, and always smile no matter what!

Love ya,
SMARE-BEAR

LATER!
(MASTURBATOR)
2nis summer

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Jacko,

To a very bad
ass dude who I've
had excellent times with
in the last months. Sorry
I messed up before, You are
one rad nice guy who better
take care of himself. We haven't
watched a good movie in a long time
I hope to see one soon. Lets have more
good times, look for me at times I'm always
ready to do something. Look me up next time
you go to the river. Don't lose touch!

I'll be a Friend Always (and you will too)

Gary "Crackers" Bishop

Hey dude
I'm glad that we both
are kick-ass and well
we are the best.
Friends 4 ever
deserve the best in life
have a fun forever. well cooler
Live forever WAB
WGAF Rules
Bad

Socko

Dear Socko,

Hey dude, I'm glad that we both are kick-ass and well we are the best. Friends 4 ever deserve the best in life have a fun forever. well cooler Live forever WAB WGAF Rules

Reserved for Lorraine 6.

Josten's
VISALIA

Jocko,

It's been great
Party in with you
the last couple of
years. I hope I run
into you in Phoenix when I
move down there. Stay out of
trouble and dont do anything stupid
Take it easy.

James Hallman

Jocko—

Hi! Well this is our last day of school. Yea!

Well we have had our bad times & our good! Let's just put the bad one behind. I wish you the very best of luck in all you do. Just be careful & pray God keep you safe. Try to keep in touch. Thanks for everything Jocko.

Love,

"BK" Amelia

W.G.A.F. '2

Rule

Jocko
Stay Crazy
You're great that
way. We'll have to
Party together and get
really wasted!! I'll never
forget you, you'll be on my
mind. I'll never forget the parties
at my house either. They were great.
Let's keep in Touch. You're a really
special guy. I'm glad we met. Thanks
to Mick we got to know each other better.
Don't ever change, you've got a lot going for you.
Be true to your dreams come true. Good
luck in life with whatever you do and especially
I hope Life with you do it with. I take Care of
Luck in Touch!! May God Bless
with whoever you do Party too much
yourself! Keep in Don't forget me!! I'll never
you and keep safe. Don't
but do Party!!
forget You!

Always
Dee Dee
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